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SAC LITTLE ROCK, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73), PHILADELPHIA

PORTLAND (164-41)

SAC SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER

NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305

PORTLAND TO SEATTLE

NOVEMBER TWO FOUR SEVENTY ONE

CAA* HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: SEATTLE

BUFILE 164-2111

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 HAS RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT [REDACTED] IS UNSUB IN
 THIS MATTER. [REDACTED] IS KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN A

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[REDACTED] IN THE PAST.

, [REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED AS W M A, SIX FEET TWO INCHES,
 ONE EIGHT FIVE POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, [REDACTED] EYES, BORN [REDACTED]

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LR-11:00
MP-11:05

164-81-516

PH-11:17

PD-11:33 PM

Per DCA

Approved: A

Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-2787

PHOTO OF [REDACTED] BEING FORWARDED TO MINNEAPOLIS,
PORTLAND, LITTLE ROCK, AND PHILADELPHIA BY FACSIMILE TO BE
SHOWN TO WITNESSES LOCATED WITHIN THOSE DIVISIONS. GLOSSY
PHOTOGRAPHS BEING FORWARDED TO MINNEAPOLIS AND PHILADELPHIA
VIA PILOT COURIER.

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IN VIEW OF URGENCY EXISTING IN PRESENT SITUATION RECEIVING
OFFICES SHOULD DISPLAY PHOTOGRAPHS TO APPROPRIATE WITNESSES AND
TELEPHONE RESULTS TO SEATTLE BY NINE AM PACIFIC STANDARD TIME
TWELVE TWO SEVENTYONE WITHOUT FAIL.

NR023 SE PLAIN

11:33 PM IMMEDIATE 12/1/71 DCA

TO LITTLE ROCK MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)
PHILADELPHIA PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 2P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE,
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

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LAND, LITTLE ROCK, AND PHILADELPHIA BY FACSIMILE TO BE SHOWN TO
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WITNESSES LOCATED WITHIN THOSE DIVISIONS. GLOSSY PHOTOGRAPHS BEING FORWARDED TO MINNEAPOLIS AND PHILADELPHIA VIA PILOT COURIER.

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11:05 PM IMMEDIATE 12/1/71 DCA

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PHILADELPHIA PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

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PHILADELPHIA PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM: SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND, OREGON
 TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, ONE NINE SEVEN ONE,
~~HIJACKING~~
 CAA - ~~AIR PIRACY~~, OO: SEATTLE.

CHIEF OF POLICE, SEATTLE, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT A SEATTLE
 DETECTIVE HAD INFO THIS CASE. [REDACTED] ON INTERVIEW
 STATED AN INFORMANT TOLD HIM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] BELIEVES THIS TO BE

[REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] BUFILE [REDACTED]

BUFILE WILL SHOW THAT IN THIS CASE [REDACTED]

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~~PHOTO~~ MADE AVAILABLE FEBRUARY THREE, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE

PHOTO OF [REDACTED] WHICH WAS SHOWN THIS DATE TO WITNESSES

[REDACTED] ALL OF WHOM SAID NOT IDENT.

FACSIMILE SENT TO MINNEAPOLIS, PHILADELPHIA, LITTLE ROCK AND PORTLAND
 TO SHOW ADDITIONAL WITNESSES.

164-81-517

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Approved: PB/TIM
Special Agent in ChargeSent 11:58 P M Per QA

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SEARCH

NR004 LV PLAIN

4:30 PM URGENT 12-3-71 SGT
TO SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY-ONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

// RE SEATTLE TEL INSTANT.

INSPECTION PANELS LOCATED NEAR REAR STAIRWAY IN INSTANT FLIGHT WERE REMOVED AND AREAS BEHIND THEM INSPECTED WHILE PLANE WAS AT RENO, NEVADA.

FOLLOWING THE SEARCH OF THE PLANE AND THE DUSTING OF IT FOR FINGERPRINTS THERE WAS A GUARD PLACED AT THE PLANE FOR SECURITY PURPOSES AND THE PLANE WAS "BUTTONED UP" UNTIL JUST BEFORE IT LEFT RENO AT ELEVEN TWO A.M., NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE, SEVENTY-ONE. IN ADDITION, THE RESTROOM FACILITIES WERE SEARCHED.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUfile 164-2111

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[redacted] requested that we send him a teletype on this and also forward the artist's conception in which our witness had drawn in his suggested changes. This was done.

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1. He said in our initial teletype, page 5, we have one witness saying that the subject carried a dark colored attache case and a paper bag 4"x12"x18". He wonders if this paper bag could have contained a jump suit and a pair of boots.

2. In the same teletype, there was mention that a witness scuffled with the subject. I told him that I had already discussed this with the Agents involved and this was a wrong choice of words and that the word should have been "hassel" and that there was actually no scuffle and the witness had not had to separate the two, but merely stepped in to end an argument.

3. [redacted] wanted to know if we had enlisted hiking clubs and other outdoor groups to aid in the search.

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I told him that we had used only law enforcement personnel; that this was extremely rugged terrain and not the kind of territory you could lay off in a grid and search minutely at arm's length. He said to include in our next teletype something about the terrain.

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I pointed out to him that anything we did by way of simulating the conditions would be a very broad approximation since we didn't know exactly where the plane was, assuming that the hijacker did go out at 8:12 PM, when they felt the "oscillation". Since this would vary with such factors as wind direction; which side of the flyway the plane happened to be on at the time, etc. He said he understands this but he would like us to think about it.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

11/30/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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754PM NITEL 12-2-71 JMS

TO DIRECTOR 164-2111

NEW YORK

SAN FRANCISCO

SEATTLE

FROM MIAMI 164-552 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, CAA - HIJACKING, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER ONE,
SEVENTY ONE, AND MIAMI TELEPHONE CALLS TO SAN FRANCISCO AND
NEW YORK, DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE.

INVESTIGATION MIAMI HAS DISCLOSED

[REDACTED] RETURNING TO MIAMI THIS
PM AT UNSPECIFIED TIME [REDACTED] FLIGHT FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CHECKED [REDACTED] MIAMI INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT NOVEMBER TWENTY-NINE, SEVENTY ONE, AND NOW [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] MIAMI, SEES

SLIGHT RESEMBLANCE OF [REDACTED] TO ARTIST CONCEPTION. ANOTHER
SEES NO RESEMBLANCE. SAN FRANCISCO OBTAIN DETAILS OF DATES
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AND PLACES OF [REDACTED] FOR AT LEAST ALL
OF OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE. FOR BUREAU'S
INFORMATION, SAN FRANCISCO TODAY DETERMINED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR PERIOD NOVEMBER TWENTY-
ONE, TO NOVEMBER TWENTY-SIX, SEVENTY ONE. NEW YORK OBTAIN
PHOTOGRAPH OF [REDACTED] AND BACKGROUND AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND EXPEDITE TO SEATTLE FOR
VIEWING BY PERTINENT WITNESSES. SEATTLE PROMPTLY SHOW PHOTO-
GRAPH OF [REDACTED] TO APPROPRIATE WITNESSES AFTER RECEIPT OF
SAME AND ADVISE MIAMI OF RESULTS. MIAMI WILL DELAY INTERVIEW
OF [REDACTED] UNTIL RESULTS RECEIVED.

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NR 912 PD PLAIN

6:13 PM NITEL 12-2-71 AJW

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111) & SEATTLE (164-31)
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR NINETEEN SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

~~PORTLAND SUGGESTS CODE NAME BE AUTHORIZED FOR USE IN
TITLE OF COMMUNICATIONS THIS CASE. PORTLAND RECOMMENDS
"NORJACK." IF THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE, BUREAU REQUESTED TO
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6:13 PM NITEL 12-2-71 AJW

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111) & SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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NR 235 LA PLAIN

1041 PM NITEL 12-2-71 MSG
TO NEW HAVEN (164-77)
SEATTLE (164-71)
FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497)

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UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST,
CIA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO SEATTLE.

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RE LOS ANGELES TELS TO SEATTLE NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX,
DECEMBER ONE AND DECEMBER TWO INSTANT. NEW HAVEN TEL TO
BUREAU, SEATTLE AND LOS ANGELES DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE: [REDACTED] SET

FORTH LOS ANGELES TEL NOVEMBER TWENTYSIX LAST.

ON DECEMBER ONE LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] DOES NOT MATCH PHYSICAL
DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT AND HE WOULD DEFINITELY DISCOUNT
[REDACTED] AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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ON DECEMBER ONE LAST, [REDACTED] VIEWED THE
ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB AND STATED [REDACTED] DOES
NOT LOOK LIKE SKETCH.

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ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, [REDACTED] WHO PREVIOUSLY
FURNISHED THE NAME OF [REDACTED] AS A POSSIBLE SUSPECT THIS
MATTER, WAS INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION
DOES NOT PSEMELBE [REDACTED] IN ANYWAY, STATING HE RECALLS [REDACTED]
FACE MORE POUNDER. IT IS NOTED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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NONE OF ABOVE BEING CONSIDERED SUSPECT BY LOS ANGELES.

BE SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], ADVISED [REDACTED]

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READ OF HIJACKING AND BELIEVED COOPER'S DESCRIPTION FAMILIAR
TO UNSUB.

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COMPOSITE DRAWING OF UNSUB WAS DISPLAYED TO [REDACTED]
WHO ADVISED [REDACTED] HAIR LINE AND HAIR STYLE COMPLETELY
DIFFERENT FROM UNSUB. ADDITIONAL QUESTIONING REVEALED

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
AS [REDACTED] UNABLE TO IDENTIFY ARTIST'S CONCEPTION AS
GOOD LIKENESS OF [REDACTED] HE IS NOT BEING CONSIDERED SUSPECT
THIS MATTER.

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ON DECEMBER TWO INSTANT, A REVIEW OF SANTA BARBARA CITY
DIRECTORY FOR SEVENTY, REVEALED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NO LISTING IDENTIFIABLE
WITH [REDACTED] COULD BE FOUND IN SEVENTYONE DIRECTORY.

INSTANT DATE FILES OF CREDIT BUREAU OF SANTA BARBARA,
CALIFORNIA, REVEALED [REDACTED] RESIDING

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[REDACTED] HIS AGE SHOWN AS [REDACTED]
AND [REDACTED] KNOWN TO AGENCY SINCE FORTYFIVE. NO INDICATION
[REDACTED] IN SANTA BARBARA SINCE SEVENTY AND LAST ADDRESS SHOWN
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IN JULY SEVENTY ONE WAS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] WITH EMPLOYMENT SHOWN AS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (NO ADDRESS SHOWN). PRIOR
EMPLOYMENT SHOWN AS [REDACTED]

RECORDS SANTA BARBARA POLICE DEPARTMENT REVEALED [REDACTED]

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DOB [REDACTED]

ARRESTED [REDACTED]

NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED] LOCATED FILES SANTA
BARBARA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE.

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PER SUSPECT [REDACTED]

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ON DECEMBER ONE LAST RECORD COMPUTER CREDIT BUREAU OF
LOS ANGELES, LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND REGISTRAR OF VOTERS WERE REVIEWED AND
NO RECORD IDENTIFIABLE WITH [REDACTED] LOCATED.

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ON SAME DATE, RECORDS UCLA, CALIFORNIA STATE LOS ANGELES,
SAN FERNANDO VALLEY STATE COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
EXTENSION SERVICES, LOS ANGELES VALLEY COLLEGE, LOS ANGELES
CITY COLLEGE AND LOS ANGELES TRADE AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE WERE
CAUSED TO BE CHECKED WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. LOS ANGELES INDICES
NEGATIVE.

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RE INFO FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] TO NEW HAVEN
DECEMBER ONE LAST.

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ON DECEMBER TWO INSTANT, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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ADVISED MATTER REPORTED TO FBI IN EVENT REWARD OFFERED.

[REDACTED] STATED HAD NO PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION
CAME FROM [REDACTED]

INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED]

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ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

ON NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST, HE [REDACTED]
SAW ARTIST'S SKETCH OF HIJACKER ON TV. [REDACTED]

LOOKED LIKE

SKETCH ON TV. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATED HAS NO REASON TO BELIEVE [REDACTED] WAS
HIJACKER AND DESCRIBED HIM AS MMA, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AT [REDACTED] SIX FOOT ONE, ONE HUNDRED
FIFTYFIVE POUNDS, HAIR [REDACTED] EYES UNKNOWN, SLIGHT
BUILD, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] EARS NOTICABLY PROTRUDING FROM HEAD.

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] TATTOOS UNKNOWN.

AFTER ABOVE INTERVIEW, ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OBSERVED
BY [REDACTED] WHO ADVISED [REDACTED] DOES NOT APPEAR IDENTICAL
TO SKETCH OF HIJACKER.

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ARREST RECORD LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT NEGATIVE.

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LOS ANGELES INDICES AND NCIC NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

IN VIEW OF ABOVE, [REDACTED] NOT BEING CONSIDERED LOGICAL
SUSPECT THIS MATTER.

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RE LATIN SKY DIVING CLUB

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ON DECEMBER ONE LAST, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ADVISED HE IS [REDACTED]
AND [REDACTED]

HE ADVISED LATIN SKY DIVING CLUB IS A GROUP THAT JUMPS
FROM PERRIS AIRPORT AND ALSO AIRPORT AT ELSINORE, CALIFORNIA.

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[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] AND THEIR
TELEPHONE NUMBERS, WHO WERE MEMBERS OF CLUB. HE DESCRIBED
CLUB MEMBERSHIP AS BETWEEN TEN AND TWENTY MOST FROM EAST
LOS ANGELES AREA. [REDACTED] SAID DISCUSSION AMONG GROUP
APPEARED TO BE NOTHING MORE THAN NORMAL INTEREST OF SKY
DIVERS ABOUT CRIME WHERE HIJACKERS JUMP FROM AIRPLANE
AND NONE OF CLUB MEMBERS HAD ACTED SUSPICIOUS SINCE HIJACKING.
THIS CLUB DESCRIBED AS LOCAL IN NATURE AND NOT NATIONAL
ORGANIZATION.

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SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] WASHINGTON, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE
INVESTIGATION THROUGH LAST ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
TO LOCATE AND ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED] DURING
PERTINENT PERIOD.

LOS ANGELES AT [REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, WILL ASCERTAIN IF
[REDACTED] KNOWN TO [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] OR IF NAME MAINTAINED IN RECORDS PARACHUTE CLUB
LOS ANGELES AREA.

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AT EAST LOS ANGELES, WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FOR ALL INFORMATION
CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP OF CLUB AND DISPLAY ARTIST CONCEPTION TO
[REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/2/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

Sub - Search Sub E

RE: SEARCH AREA

On 12/2/71, SA [redacted] Case Agent at Minneapolis, advised that [redacted] of Northwest Airlines had some additional information concerning a possible adjustment to the search area.

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On 12/2/71, [redacted] advised that the hijacked airplane was being flown on automatic pilot during most of the time it was in flight over the State of Washington and on down south.

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[redacted] advised that because it was automatic pilot the crew might not be able to detect a change in the attitude of the flight caused by a 180-pound man parachuting from the back stairway. However, he advised that he is examining the flight recorder with a microscope which he expects will reveal "little bobs" or anomalies where the automatic pilot has mechanically made an adjustment to maintain the level flight of the aircraft.

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He noted that there was a "little bob" at approximately 8:09 p.m. and based on that finding and the fact that the air stairs had gone down sometime earlier, [redacted] suggested that the search area probably should be extended to the north an additional three miles and to the south as far as the Columbia River. These extensions of the search area would be

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from the center of the search boundaries previously given to this office.

The above information has been furnished to
SA MANNING, December 2.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA ROBERT H. WICK

SUBJECT: NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING
EXTORTION

Re: serial #84.

AT TUMWATER, WASHINGTON

On November 27, 1971, [redacted]
advised that he recalled hearing on the radio that the above plane
was being refueled at Sea Tac airport and somewhat later he decided
to go jogging. He was running on a road near the airport, when he
noticed a plane flying at about 1,500' circling the airport. This
plane had two strobe lights blinking simultaneously. [redacted]
said this is very unusual that a plane would be flying that high
when the weather was bad and the lights were highly uncommon. He
[redacted]

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On November 27, 1971, [redacted]
Olympia airport, advised that twin strobe lights on planes are quite
common and there would be nothing unusual in a plane flying 1,500'
on any pattern around the airport during the time mentioned. He said
this is a common sight around the airport.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/1/71

SA ROBERT H. WICK

NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305

11/24/71

CAA - HIJACKING

EXTORTION

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Date: 11/30/71

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(Priority)

TO: SACs, SEATTLE, MINNEAPOLIS AND OKLAHOMA CITY
 FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (164-NEW)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
 NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,
 NOVEMBER 24, 1971
 CAA - HIJACKING, EXTORTION
 OO: SE

Enclosed to Seattle two color snapshots and one ident
 photo of IA (15d) IA (21)

Enclosed to Minneapolis three color snapshots and one
 ident photograph of

Re telephone call to Seattle by ASAC GASKILL, Kansas
 City, 6:30 p.m., 11/29/71, regarding suspect and
 facsimile sent via teleconier to Seattle and Minneapolis 10:30 p.m.
 and ident photograph of sent by routing slip air mail
 to Minneapolis and Seattle evening of 11/29/71.

RE SUSPECT On 11/29/71

furnished the following information to SAS
:

- 2 - Seattle (Enc. 3)
 - 2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 4)
 - 1 - Oklahoma City (Info)
 - 2 - Kansas City
- RVH:B
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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,
NOVEMBER 24, 1971

When she saw artist's conception of unknown subject
in the Kansas City Star, 11/29/71, she recognized it as
possibly identical with [redacted]

[redacted]
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She has no information as to his present whereabouts. She
describes him as probably [redacted]
[redacted] possible suspect in this case. She described
him as follows:

[redacted]
White male

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DOB: [redacted]

Hair: Dark brown, parted on left side, combed
slightly backwards

Eyes: [redacted]

Height: 5 feet 11 inches to 6 feet

Weight: 170

Complexion: Olive

Characteristics: Very clean, neat dresser
Wears olderstyle conservative clothes

[redacted]
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Has been known to wear sunglasses
with heavy plastic frames

[redacted]
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UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,
NOVEMBER 24, 1971

LEADS:

OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION - Information

Copy designated for Oklahoma City for background information in the event photograph of [redacted] is identified by witnesses as possibly unknown subject.

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MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

At Minneapolis, Minnesota

Exhibit enclosed photographs of [redacted] to crew of captioned airliner to determine if he could be identical with unknown subject.

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If not considered logical suspect, return photographs immediately to Kansas City for return to [redacted]

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SEATTLE DIVISION

At Seattle, Washington

Exhibit enclosed photographs of [redacted] to witnesses who saw unknown subject to determine if he could be identical with unknown subject.

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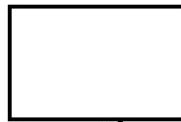
If not considered logical suspect, return photographs immediately to Kansas City for return to [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1.Date 11/30/71

[redacted] made available
a Xerox copy of application for employment [redacted]
[redacted]

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b7COn 11/30/71 at Jamaica, New York File # NY 164by SA [redacted] 2MMZ Date dictated 11/30/71b6
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Date: 11/30/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-NEW) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
Northwest Airlines 727
Portland, Oregon
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING
(OO: SE)

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ReHNNitel to NY, 11/29/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is a Xerox copy of an application
for employment with [redacted]b6
b7C[redacted] Background information, [redacted] is
set forth in the application and a facsimile photo appears
on the upper right hand corner thereon.b6
b7CAlso enclosed for Seattle are nine copies of an FD 302
showing an application for employment being made available by
[redacted]11/30/71 [redacted] advised on
[redacted]b6
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2 - Seattle (Encls. 10)
1 - New York
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Put 302 & APPLICATION

in MAIN FILE ONLY

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NY 164-NEA

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] could recall no [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] advised [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] could furnish no further pertinent information
[redacted]

Leads regarding interview of [redacted] are being left to
the discretion of the office of origin.

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Date: 11/30/71

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TO: SAC, SAN ANTONIO
 FROM: SAC, DETROIT (164-115)(P)

UNSUB;
 NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305
 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
 11/24/71
 CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING
 (EXTORTION)
 (OO:SEATTLE)

On 11/30/71, [redacted]

[redacted] advised
 she viewed the sketch relative to captioned unsub in the
 "Detroit News" Newspaper of 11/29/71, and indicated that this
 sketch appears similar to [redacted]
 [redacted]

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2 - San Antonio
 1 - Seattle(Info)
 1 - Detroit
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[REDACTED]

She advised [REDACTED] is a W/M, about 40 who looks older with thin light brown hair, 5'10" - 6', 140-150 pounds and had a swarthy [REDACTED] face. She stated that she cannot describe him any further but after a first glance, the sketch of the unsub looked like [REDACTED]

LEADS

SAN ANTONIO

[REDACTED] TEXAS

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Contact [REDACTED] ascertain if he recalls

[REDACTED] ago. Thereafter conduct lead at [REDACTED] Texas, to ascertain if this person's name is known to anyone [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] is located- attempt to locate and interview as possible suspect or look-a-like.

UNSUB CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

DB Cooper-2838

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/2/71

FROM : SA CHARLES N. GIESE

SUBJECT: UNSUR; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Re Suspects: [redacted] [redacted]

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On 12/1/71 SA CHARLES N. GIESE contacted [redacted]

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[redacted] at [redacted] in which [redacted] has an interest.

[redacted] was exhibited two pictures of [redacted] and one each of [redacted] with seven throw down photographs.

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[redacted] viewed these pictures from 9:11 pm to 10:12 pm and eliminated them all.

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After the initial viewing, [redacted] went back and studied the pictures of [redacted] King County Sheriff's Office photograph No. [redacted] and the Washington State Driver's License. picture (expires [redacted]) times; the picture of [redacted] times and that of [redacted] times.

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He commented that [redacted] face from the upper lip upwards bore some resemblance to the unsub: [redacted] jaw line, cheeks and nose bore some resemblance, and [redacted] hairline bore a close resemblance. He commented the picture of [redacted] was "too severe." He eliminated all three suspects.

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11:34PM NITEL 12/3/71 CRH

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES,
FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, LAST, CAA DASH HIJACKING;
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO, DECEMBER ONE,
LAST.

RE [REDACTED]

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ON DECEMBER TWO DASH THREE LAST, [REDACTED] ELIM

[REDACTED], WAS INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS AT HIS PLACE OF
EMPLOYMENT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAD BEEN EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED], FROM

[REDACTED] AND

NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST, AND COULD FURNISH NO WITNESSES TO
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SUBSTANTIATE TRIP. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
SUBSTANTIATE FACT THAT [REDACTED] WAS PRESENT [REDACTED] UNTIL APPROXIMATELY TWELVE THIRTY PM NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR. UNITED AIRLINES, SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ADVISED THAT NO AIRLINES IN THE BAY AREA COULD MAKE CONNECTIONS WITH NORTH-WEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, AFTER TWELVE NOON. IT IS TO BE NOTED THAT [REDACTED] DOES NOT SMOKE TOBACCO AND IS [REDACTED] YEARS OF AGE.

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[REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED FROM INTERVIEW AND EMPLOYMENT RECORDS AS A WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] SIX FEET ONE INCH, ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, OLIVE COMPLEXION.

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NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION RE [REDACTED] BEING CONDUCTED AT SAN FRANCISCO.

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NR 008 SF PLAIN

4:44 PM URGENT 12/3/71 MCC

TO LOS ANGELES

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) 1P

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UNSUB; AKA, DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE
ZERO FIVE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA - AIR PIRACY. RE: SUSPECT

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RE SF TEL CALL TO LOS ANGELES THIS DATE.

SA [REDACTED] CII, STATE BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO THIS
DATE, ADVISED THAT HE WAS CONTACTED BY AN OLD INFORMANT WHO HAS
PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, WHO STATED THAT THE
COMPOSITE PHOTOGRAPH APPEARING IN THE PAPER APPEARS IDENTICAL IN
EVERY RESPECT TO ONE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CHECKED DDL
RECORDS WHICH SET FORTH THAT [REDACTED] HAS DRIVER'S LICENSE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] AND WAS LAST KNOWN TO BE AT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] DESCRIBED ON DRIVER'S
LICENSE AS WMA, BROWN HAIR, GRAYING, [REDACTED] EYES, SIX FOOT ONE
INCH, ONE SEVEN FOUR POUNDS, DOB [REDACTED]

LOS ANGELES: ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE IF [REDACTED]
IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

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SAN FRANCISCO WILL HOLD IN ABEYANCE FORWARDING PHOTOGRAPH
UNTIL INVESTIGATION AT LOS ANGELES RESOLVES WHEREABOUTS OF 164-81-534

[REDACTED] ON PERTINENT DATE. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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8:24 NITEL 12-3-71 BIH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM JACKSON (164-32) (P)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT NUMBER
THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR,
SEVENTY ONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE BIRMINGHAM TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, SEATTLE AND JACKSON,
DATED DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE.

JACKSON DIVISION HAS ELIMINATED [REDACTED] AS A
POSSIBLE SUBJECT IN THIS MATTER IN THAT HE IS NOT A LOOK
ALIKE AND WAS DEFINITELY IN JACKSON, MISS., ON NOVEMBER TWENTY
FOUR - TWENTY FIVE, SEVENTY ONE, PER WITNESSES.

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AIRMAIL COPY TO BIRMINGHAM.

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7:33 PM NITEL 12/3/71 MCC

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

CINCINNATI (164-55)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P) 1P

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST, CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING, OO SEATTLE.

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE DECEMBER TWO LAST.

THE PHOTO DESCRIBED IN RE AIRTEL IS OF [redacted]

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[redacted] WHO IS [redacted] YEARS OLD, SIX FEET TALL, TWO HUNDRED

[redacted] COMPLIXION, [redacted] HAIR, WEARS GLASSES AND

MOUSTACHE.

THE OTHER MAN IN THE PHOTO IS [redacted] IN VIEW OF THE

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DISCRIPENCIES IN DESCRIPTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT AND [redacted] NO FURTHER

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING THIS PHOTO BEING CONDUCTED AT SAN FRANCISCO.

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02110 NITEL 12-3-71 WMC

TO SAC, PHOENIX (164-100)
SAC, SEATTLE
FROM ST. LOUIS (164-63) 2P



UNSUB, AKA, DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE;
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
, OO: SEATTLE

RE PHOENIX TEL TO BUREAU DEC. TWO LAST, SEATTLE NITEL TO SL
DEC. TWO LAST, SL TEL CALL TO PHOENIX DEC. THREE INSTANT.

RE: [REDACTED]

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A WHITE, MALE BORN [REDACTED], AS
INTERVIEWED TODAY. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WAS GOING, SHE HAS NOT HEARD
FROM HIM AND DOESN'T KNOW HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DID NOT KNOW

[REDACTED] WHO DIED

[REDACTED] SHE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS BEING SIX FEET ONE INCH

LIN AND WEIGHING OVER
TWO HUNDRED POUNDS.

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE WAS LAST KNOWN [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAS NOT SEEN [REDACTED]

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MANY YEARS.

SHE IDENTIFIED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NOW DECEASED. [REDACTED], AND SHE
IS POSITIVE [REDACTED] FOR MANY YEARS AND
WOULD ACTUALLY BE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] DID NOT KNOW ANYONE NAMED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WAS
INTERVIEWED. SHE STATED, [REDACTED]

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HE LEFT. [REDACTED] POSTMARKED AT [REDACTED] ARIZONA ON NOV.
TWENTYSEVEN LAST. THE POSTMARKS ON [REDACTED] ILLEGIBLE
AND NO DATES CAN BE ASCERTAINED, HOWEVER, ONE OF THEM WAS POSTMARKED
IN TEXAS AND ANOTHER [REDACTED] WERE RECEIVED B

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[REDACTED] TO THE ONE POSTMARKED AT [REDACTED]
INQUIRY AT [REDACTED] IDENTIFIED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WHO COULD NOT BE LOCATED.
PHOENIX AT [REDACTED] ARIZONA, ASCERTAIN FROM [REDACTED]
WHERE [REDACTED] WAS ON NOV. TWENTYFOUR LAST.
ST. LOUIS WILL RECONTACT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE HIS WHEREABOUTS.

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NR021 LA PLAIN

8:26PM NITEL 12-3-71 DLK

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN DIEGO (164-91)

SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 3P

Susp- [redacted]

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE

RE SAN DIEGO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN LAST, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY SEVEN LAST.

REFERENCED TELETYPES SET FORTH INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM INTERVIEWS OF [redacted]

[redacted] REGARDING CONVERSATION WITH UNIDENTIFIED MALE ON FLIGHT TWO ZERO ONE FROM SAN DIEGO TO BURBANK ON NOVEMBER EIGHT LAST. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT LOS ANGELES ASSEMBLE LIST OF MOVIE COMPANIES AND DISPLAY TO [redacted] IN EFFORT TO FURTHER IDENTIFY UNIDENTIFIED MAN.

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FOLLOWING IS LIST OF MOTION PICTURE DASH TELEVISION STUDIOS IN LOS ANGELES DASH HOLLYWOOD AREA: ACADEMY FILMS, THE ALDRICH STUDIOS, ANIMATION CENTER, CASCADE STUDIO, CINEMA GENERAL STUDIOS, COLUMBIA PICTURES CORPORATION, CULVER CITY STUDIOS, INC., WALT DISNEY PRODUCTIONS, JERRY FAIRBANKS, INC., FAMILY FILMS, GENERAL SERVICE STUDIOS, GOLDEN WEST PRODUCTION CENTER, SAMUEL GOLDWYN STUDIO, KTTV STUDIOS, MGM STUDIOS, PARAMOUNT PICTURES, INC., PARAMOUNT STUDIOS, PRODUCERS STUDIO, INC., RAMPART STUDIO, SCREEN GEMS, STUDIO CENTER (CBS), STUDIO ONE, TV AND FILM PRODUCTION CENTER, TWENTIETH CENTURY FOX FILM CORPORATION, UNITED SERVICE STUDIO, UNIVERSAL CITY STUDIOS, U. P. A. PICTURES, INC., WARNER BROTHERS, INC., AND WOLPER VIDEO CENTER.

ABOVE LIST CONSTITUTES MAJOR MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION STUDIOS IN LOS ANGELES DASH HOLLYWOOD AREA. THERE ARE NUMEROUS OTHER SMALL SUCH STUDIOS IN THE AREA AND, THEREFORE, THIS LIST IS NOT ALL INCLUSIVE.

FOR INFORMATION OF SAN DIEGO, THERE ARE VERY FEW WRITERS EMPLOYED ON A FULL TIME BASIS BY MOTION PICTURE COMPANIES AND TELEVISION STUDIOS. MOST WRITERS WORK ON A FREE LANCE BASIS
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ON SPECIFIC WRITING ASSIGNMENTS. IN ORDER FOR ACCURATE DASH
INTELLIGENT SEARCH TO BE MADE WITH CONTACT OF HOLLYWOOD
SOURCES FOR SPECIFIC WRITER, IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO HAVE
HIS FULL NAME, THEREFORE, LOS ANGELES WILL CONDUCT NO
FURTHER ACTIVITY REGARDING THIS PHASE UNLESS A NAME IS
OBTAINED.

SAN DIEGO WILL FURNISH LIST TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] PENDING.

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MR 006 BT PLAIN

6:28 PM 12-3-71 NITEL DD

TO: SAC, SOMAHA

SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWO FOUR, ONE NINE SEVEN ONE, CAA - HIJACKING,
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

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RE PORTLAND TWL TO BUTTE, DECEMBER ONE, LAST, NO COPY
OMAHA.

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

RETEL ADVISED [redacted]

[redacted] LOOKS LIKE UNSUB.

[redacted] ALLEGED TO HAVE EXPERIENCE [redacted]

[redacted] RESIDE [redacted]

EFFORT TO CONTACT [redacted] DECEMBER THREE,
NEGATIVE. DETERMINED [redacted] TRAVEL

[redacted] UNITED STATES, [redacted]

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[REDACTED] REFLECTS WILL BE CARE OF
GENERAL DELIVERY, [REDACTED] DECEMBER EIGHT, NEXT.
OMAHA LOCATE [REDACTED] IDENTIFY OR ELIMINATE AS UNSUB.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

Susp - [redacted]

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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On 12/3/71 [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted] telephonically advised that she believes [redacted] might be the hijacker. Her belief is based on a similarity in description, including facial lookalike. His name is [redacted] who resides [redacted]

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She further described him as approximately [redacted] years of age but stated he looks much [redacted]. He also was [redacted]. She does not know whether he has [redacted]

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RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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7:29PM URGENT 12/3/71 CRH

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

SAN DIEGO

SACRAMENTO

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

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UNSUB, AKA [REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE

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ZERO, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, LAST, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE. BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE SAN DIEGO NITEL DECEMBER ONE, LAST, AND SF TELEPHONE CALL TO SACRAMENTO TWELVE DASH THREE DASH SEVENTYONE.

RE SUBJECT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CALIFORNIA, DATE

OF BIRTH [REDACTED] WHITE, ONE HUNDRED

FIFTY-FIVE POUNDS, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, OCCUPATION [REDACTED]

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HOME TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

BUSINESS TELEPHONE [REDACTED]

FOR INFORMATION SACRAMENTO REFERENCED TELETYPE INDICATES

THAT ONE [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT

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ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNKNOWN SUBJECT RESEMBLES [REDACTED]

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SACRAMENTO LOCATE [REDACTED] AT ABOVE ADDRESS AND CONDUCT
APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AS TO HIS WHEREABOUTS NOVEMBER
TWENTY-FOUR, LAST.

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617 PM URGENT 12-3-71 DCC
TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)
MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)
SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM PHILADELPHIA (164-133)

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IMMEDIATE; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; OO: SEATTLE

RE PH TEL CALL TO SEATTLE DEC. TWO LAST, AND SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PH DATED DEC. ONE LAST.

ON DEC. TWO LAST, [REDACTED] STEWARDESS, NORTHWEST AIRLINES, RESIDING [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFO:

WHEN SHE DEPARTED PLANE IN SEATTLE TO PICK UP TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, HIJACKER INDICATED HE WAS GOING TO USE THE LAVATORY AND STARTED TOWARD THE AFT LAVATORY. WHEN SHE RETURNED TO THE PLANE WITH THE MONEY, HE WAS IN HIS SEAT. SHE DOES NOT RECALL HIJACKER CHANGING CLOTHES OR HAVING ANY OTHER CLOTHES IN HIS POSSESSION AND TO THE BEST OF HER KNOWLEDGE, HE WAS CARRYING ONLY PAGE ONE.

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THE ATTACHE CASE UPON HE WAS MOVING TOWARDS THE AFT LAVATORY.
HE WAS CARRYING THE CASE ON ITS SIDE IN HIS LEFT HAND WITH HIS
RIGHT HAND IN THE CASE.

[REDACTED] OBSERVED AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER A GREEN SHOPPING

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TYPE BAG ON TOP OF ATTACHE CASE, SIZE OF BAG APPROXIMATELY THAT
OF A DRESS SHIRT SIZE BAG FROM A CLOTHING STORE. HIJACKER WORE
NON-LACE TYPE SHOES OF ANKLE LENGTH. THE HIJACKER DID NOT BRING
FOOD ONTO THE PLANE OR EAT ANY FOOD EXCEPT FOR HAVING A DRINK OF
LICORICE.

PRIOR TO TAKE OFF FROM SEATTLE AIRPORT, HIJACKER GAVE
FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS TO PILOT:

"WE ARE GOING TO MEXICO CITY. FLAPS DOWN, YOU CAN TRIM THEM
TO FIFTEEN, YOU CAN STOP ANYWHERE IN MEXICO TO REFUEL, BUT NOWHERE
IN THE UNITED STATES, AFT DOOR TO BE OPEN, STAIRS DOWN, CABIN
LIGHTS OUT, EVERYONE TO BE FORWARD OF FIRST CLASS CURTAIN, AND
ALTITUDE UNDER TEN THOUSAND FEET." THERE WAS NO MENTION BY
HIJACKER OF A HEADING OR AIR SPEED FOR FLIGHT.

[REDACTED] ADVISED IT WAS HER RECOLLECTION THAT HIJACKER INITIALLY
WANTED HER TO LOWER THE REAR STAIRS OR LADDER AND LATER CHANGED
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HIS MIND AFTER AIRCRAFT TOOK OFF SHE WAS IN THE COCKPIT WITHIN FIVE MINUTES AFTER TAKE OFF AND RECALLS TEN MINUTES AFTER BEING IN COCKPIT THAT ONE OF THE COCKPIT CREW RECEIVED AN INTERPHONE CALL FROM HIJACKER ADVISING HE COULD NOT LOWER THE LADDER SO THE PILOT LEVELED THE AIRCRAFT OFF AND REDUCED SPEED. SHE RECALLS SEEING THE RED LIGHT GO ON THE SECOND OFFICER'S PANEL INDICATING THE REAR LADDER HAD DROPPED AND "WITHIN" FIVE MINUTES OF THE FIRST CALL A SECOND CALL WAS RECEIVED BY ONE OF THE OFFICERS FROM HIJACKER WHICH WAS THE LAST COMMUNICATION WITH THE HIJACKER.

ON DECEMBER TWO LAST, INVESTIGATION AT PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL

AIRPORT REVEALED THAT THERE IS AN ACCESS PANEL IN THE REAR LADDER WELL ON EITHER SIDE OF THE WELL ENABLING MECHANICS TO REACH EQUIPMENT BETWEEN WELL AND OUTER FUSELAGE OF THE SHIP IN THE TAIL. THIS PANEL CAN BE OPENED FROM INSIDE THE WELL AND THE FUSELAGE WITHOUT TOOLS. FACING THE REAR OF THE AIRCRAFT IT IS NOTED THAT THE AREA BEHIND THE PANEL ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE WELL CONTAINS SUFFICIENT ROOM FOR TWO OR THREE MEN TO BE INSIDE. THE END PAGE THREE

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SAME ROOM IS AVAILABLE BEHIND THE RIGHT PANEL, HOWEVER, A MECHANIC ADVISED THAT THE AIR DUCTS CONTAINED WITHIN THAT WALL WOULD CAUSE THE HEAT INSIDE THE PANEL TO BE TOO HOT FOR MAN TO SURVIVE.

SEATTLE CONSIDER CHECK OF LEFT REAR TAIL PANEL SECTION OF HIJACKED AIRCRAFT TO DETERMINE IF IT IS POSSIBLE THAT HIJACKER MAY HAVE UTILIZED THIS SPACE TO CONCEAL HIMSELF DURING FLIGHT.
ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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PM URGENT 12-3-71 DAC

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

MINNEAPOLIS

NEWARK

SEATTLE (164-81)

WASHINGTON FIELD

NEW YORK (164-627)

FROM NORFOLK (164-41)

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, ELEVEN TWENTY-FOUR SEVENTY-ONE CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE

RE NY TEL DIRECTOR TWELVE THREE SEVENTY-ONE AND RH TEL DIRECTOR TWELVE THREE SEVENTY-ONE.

INVESTIGATION AT NEWPORT NEWS, VA., DETERMINED [REDACTED]

WHITE MALE, DOB [REDACTED]

POB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HEIGHT FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, WEIGHT ONE HUNDRED AND [REDACTED] POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, PRESENTLY EMPLOYED [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] ATTENDANCE AT WORK ON ELEVEN TWENTY-FOUR SEVENTY-ONE UNTIL
SIX PM EST AND ALL DAY ON ELEVEN TWENTY-SIX SEVENTY-ONE.

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[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AT HIS RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HE ADVISED

THAT ON NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST HE WORKED FROM TEN AM UNTIL SIX
PM. HE STATED HE COULD NOT RECALL SPECIFICALLY HIS WHEREABOUTS
AFTER SIX PM NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST BUT BELIEVES HE EITHER WENT

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[REDACTED] WHERE HE WOULD HAVE SPENT REMAINDER OF
EVENING THROUGH MID MORNING OF NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE LAST [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATED THAT UPON AWAKENING MORNING NOVEMBER TWENTY-FIVE
LAST [REDACTED] THANKSGIVING DINNER WHICH
THEY SHARED AT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] STATED HE REPORTED FOR WORK [REDACTED] NOVEMBER
TWENTY-SIX LAST AT TEN AM.

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[REDACTED] STATED THAT APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED]

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CONVERSATION WITH ONE [REDACTED] DURING CHANCE MEETING
AT UNRECALLED NEW YORK CITY TAVERN. HE STATED [REDACTED] WHO IS
DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, MIDDLE [REDACTED] SIX FEET, TWO HUNDRED
POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, WOULD PROBABLY BE LISTED IN NEW YORK CITY
TELEPHONE DIRECTORY AS [REDACTED]
HE COULD PROVIDE NO FURTHER INFORMATION RE [REDACTED] HE STATED
[REDACTED] DOES NOT RESEMBLE ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF UNSUB WHICH WAS
DISPLAYED.

[REDACTED] STATED HE HAS NOT COMMUNICATED IN ANY MANNER WITH

[REDACTED]

MIGHT HAVE MADE SUCH COMMUNICATION.

HE STATED LAST FLIGHT OF ANY TYPE HE HAS MADE WAS COMMERCIAL
FLIGHT TO NEW YORK CITY TO VISIT [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED] ADVISED HE WAS UNAWARE OF INSTANT HIJACKING UNTIL SO ADVISED DURING INTERVIEW, AND DENIED ANY INVOLVEMENT IN HIJACKING.

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[REDACTED] WHO SPEAKS WITH [REDACTED] ACCENT, OBSERVED TO HAVE NO VISIBLE BRUISES, LACERATIONS, OR INJURIES TO HEAD, CHEST, ARMS, OR LEGS.

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[REDACTED] BELIEVE ARTISTS CONCEPTION OF UNSUB BEARS STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO [REDACTED] AS DID OBSERVATION [REDACTED] DURING HIS INTERVIEW BY BUAGENTS.

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[REDACTED] INTERVIEWED THIS DATE AND ADVISED SHE MET [REDACTED] SIX PM NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR LAST AT [REDACTED] PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT AND DROVE HIM DIRECTLY TO [REDACTED] WHERE THEY SPENT REMAINDER OF EVENING. SHE VERIFIED [REDACTED] VERSION OF HIS ACTIVITIES DURING NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE LAST.

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[REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPHED AND PHOTOGRAPHS IMMEDIATELY BEING FORWARDED TO OO VIA AIR MAIL.

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NORFOLK AT NEWPORT NEWS, VA. WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RE TIMES HE WAS WITH [REDACTED]

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NEW YORK. WILL ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW [REDACTED]
RE HIS ASSOCIATION WITH [REDACTED] AND FURTHER DETERMINE WHETHER HE
HAS ANY KNOWLEDGE REGARDING INSTANT MATTER.

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NEWARK. WILL REINTERVIEW [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WHO COULD
BE USING [REDACTED] NAME. ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH WHETHER UNKNOWN
CALLER SPOKE WITH ANY ACCENT NOTING THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ACCENT. P.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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UNSUB; N.W. AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATT
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RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER ONE SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT [redacted]

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[redacted] SAID [redacted]

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HER KNOWLEDGE. [redacted] HAS NOT SEEN HIM SINCE [redacted]

[redacted] AND DOESN'T KNOW HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

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[REDACTED] . HE IS DESCRIBED AS DOB [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (LOOKS OLDER), SIX FOOT ONE,
ONE NINE ZERO POUNDS, [REDACTED] EYES, HAIR COAL BLACK, THINNING
ON TOP, COMBED OVER THIN AREA, COMPLEXION MEDIUM AND TAN,
WEARS CONSERVATIVE DARK SUITS [REDACTED] THINKS
ARTISTS SKETCH IS SIMILAR BUT BELIEVES HE IS NOT RESOURCEFUL
ENOUGH TO CARRY OUT THIS HIJACKING.

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[REDACTED] RECORDS DISCLOSE

[REDACTED] EMPLOYED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHEN HE LEFT JOB [REDACTED]

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PHOTO OF [REDACTED] SHOWN TO WITNESS [REDACTED] N.W. AIRLINES
AND HE BELIEVES [REDACTED] NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB.

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ONE PHOTO OF [REDACTED] BEING FORWARDED MINNEAPOLIS TO DISPLAY TO
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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; N.W. AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATT
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RE SEATTLE TELETYPE DECEMBER ONE SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT: [redacted]

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[redacted] SAID [redacted]

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HER KNOWLEDGE. [redacted] HAS NOT SEEN HIM SINCE [redacted]

[redacted] AND DOESN'T KNOW HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HE IS DESCRIBED AS DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGON, (LOOKS OLDER), SIX FOOT ONE,
ONE NINE ZERO POUNDS, [REDACTED] EYES, HAIR COAL BLACK, THINNING
ON TOP, COMBED OVER THIN AREA, COMPLEXION MEDIUM AND TAN,
WEARS CONSERVATIVE DARK SUITS [REDACTED] THINKS
ARTISTS SKETCH IS SIMILAR BUT BELIEVES HE IS NOT RESOURCEFUL
ENOUGH TO CARRY OUT THIS HIJACKING.

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[REDACTED] RECORDS DISCLOSE

[REDACTED] EMPLOYED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHEN HE LEFT JOB [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PHOTO OF [REDACTED] SHOWN TO WITNESS [REDACTED] N.W. AIRLINES

AND HE BELIEVES [REDACTED] NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB.

ONE PHOTO OF [REDACTED] BEING FORWARDED MINNEAPOLIS TO DISPLAY TO
WITNESSES.

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FBI SE FOR TWO TELS CLR

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SAC,
To: SEATTLE (164-81)

Date: 12/3/71

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From: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

Time Transmitted:

11:15AM, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 205, SEATTLE TO PORTLAND, 11/30/71.

Subject: [REDACTED] \$0.5 pscy CWA-HARVEY

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To: SEATTLE (164-81)

Date: 12/3/71

From: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497)

Time Transmitted:

UNSUB: AIRWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305, SEATTLE TO PORTLAND, 11/24/71.

Subject: [REDACTED]

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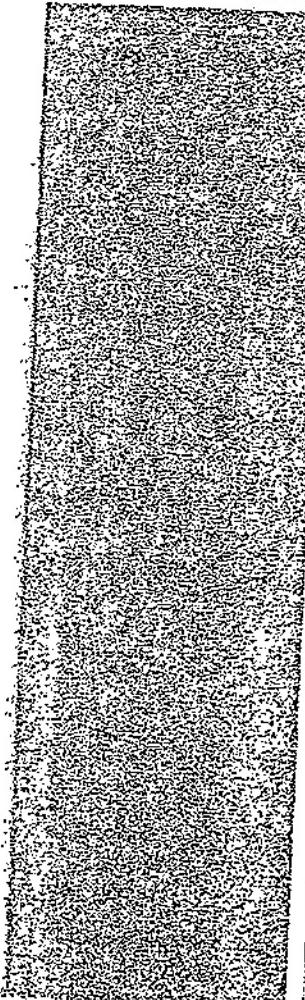
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UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT
NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY
FOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES TELCALL THIS DATE AND SEATTLE TELETYPE
TO LOS ANGELES AND SACRAMENTO DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

ON DECEMBER TWO LAST, [redacted]

[redacted] INTERVIEWED AND

ADVISED SHE [redacted]

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UNKNOWN.

SHE SAID [REDACTED] AFTER READING DESCRIPTION
OF HIJACKER IN LOCAL PAPER IT CROSSED HER MIND THIS DESCRIPTION
CLOSELY MATCHED THAT OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

HIM AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED] AT

[REDACTED] SIX FEET, ONE SIXTY FIVE POUNDS.

OLIVE OR SWARTHY COMPLEXION, [REDACTED] HAIR WORN SHORT,
BROWN EYES, SMOKES OVER TWO PACKS OF FILTER CIGARETTES PER
DAY, BRAND UNKNOWN.

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[REDACTED] FACSIMILE BEING SENT

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SEATTLE THIS DATE AND PHOTOGRAPHS FOLLOW VIA REGISTERED AIR MAIL.

SEATTLE ATTEMPT LOCATE AND ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF

[REDACTED] WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS WAS [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

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NR018 LA PLAIN

8:24PM URGENT 12-3-71 DCB

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM LOS ANGELES (164-497) 2P

UNSUB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT
NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY
FOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE LOS ANGELES TELCALL THIS DATE AND SEATTLE TELETYPE
TO LOS ANGELES AND SACRAMENTO DECEMBER ONE LAST.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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ON DECEMBER TWO LAST, [redacted]

[redacted] INTERVIEWED AND
ADVISED SHE [redacted]

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[REDACTED] EXACT LOCATION

UNKNOWN.

SHE SAID [REDACTED] AND AFTER READING DESCRIPTION
OF HIJACKER IN LOCAL PAPER IT CROSSED HER MIND THIS DESCRIPTION
CLOSELY MATCHED THAT OF [REDACTED]

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HIM AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SIX FEET, ONE SIXTY FIVE POUNDS,
OLIVE OR SWARTHY COMPLEXION, [REDACTED] HAIR WORN SHORT,
BROWN EYES, SMOKES OVER TWO PACKS OF FILTER CIGARETTES PER
DAY, BRAND UNKNOWN.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] FACSIMILE BEING SENT

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[REDACTED] WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS WAS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] DURING PERTINENT PERIOD.

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NR003 AQ PLAIN

758PM NITEL 12/3/71 FXH

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) 1P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE.

CAA - HIJACKING: EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE

REURTEL, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE: [redacted]

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INVESTIGATION GALLUP AND ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., NEGATIVE TO DATE

TO LOCATE [redacted]

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SEATTLE CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT [redacted] FOR FULL
BACKGROUND THIS INDIVIDUAL. CONTACT EMPLOYEES WHO KNEW HIM FOR
CURRENT LOCATION AND SET OUT NECESSARY LEADS. [redacted] [redacted] *new*

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RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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[redacted], UFAP - GL, OO: SEATTLE [redacted]

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THIS CAPTIONED SUBJECT APPREHENDED SPOKANE, WASH., [redacted]

[redacted] LAST. PHOTO RESEMBLES ARTIST'S CONCEPTION. IF [redacted] NOT IN
CUSTODY ON DATE INSTANT HIJACKING, SEATTLE HANDLE AS SUSPECT.

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UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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NR003 AQ PLAIN

758PM NITEL 12/3/71 FXH

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE.

CAA - HIJACKING: EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE

REURTEL, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE: [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION GALLUP AND ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., NEGATIVE TO DATE
TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

SEATTLE CONDUCT INVESTIGATION AT [REDACTED] FOR FULL
BACKGROUND THIS INDIVIDUAL. CONTACT EMPLOYEES WHO KNEW HIM FOR
CURRENT LOCATION AND SET OUT NECESSARY LEADS.

RE: SUSPECT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UFAP - GL, OO: SEATTLE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
THIS CAPTIONED SUBJECT APPREHENDED SPOKANE, WASH., [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] LAST. PHOTO RESEMBLES ARTIST'S CONCEPTION. IF [REDACTED] NOT IN
CUSTODY ON DATE INSTANT HIJACKING, SEATTLE HANDLE AS SUSPECT.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-31)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE
ZERO FIVE, ETC. CANADA HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND, NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTY ONE,
AND PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, ELEVEN FORTY SEVEN P.M. DECEMBER
ONE, SEVENTY ONE.

ON DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE, [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED HE HAD GIVEN THIS MATTER ADDITIONAL THOUGHT AFTER
BEING CONTACTED AND RECALLS [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] ALLEGEDLY FITS DESCRIPTION
OF UNSUB WITH EXCEPTION HE IS APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET ELEVEN INSTEAD
OF SIX FEET.

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[REDACTED] MENTIONED [REDACTED]

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NR 005 PD PLAIN

2:13 PM URGENT 12-3-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE
ZERO FIVE, ETC. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND, NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTY ONE,
AND PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, ELEVEN FORTY SEVEN P.M. DECEMBER
ONE, SEVENTY ONE.

ON DECEMBER TWO, SEVENTY ONE, [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED HE HAD GIVEN THIS MATTER ADDITIONAL THOUGHT AFTER
BEING CONTACTED AND RECALLS [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
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[redacted] ALLEGEDLY FITS DESCRIPTION
OF UNSUB WITH EXCEPTION HE IS APPROXIMATELY FIVE FEET ELVEN INSTEAD
OF SIX FEET.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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RE: [redacted]
SUSPECT

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On December 2, 1971, [redacted] Edmonds
Police Department advised that [redacted]
[redacted] bears a resemblance to the artists
conception of the UNSUB in this case. He said that
[redacted] is described as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Born	[redacted]
Height	5'11
Weight	180 lbs.
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	[redacted]

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[redacted] said [redacted]
[redacted] a 1970 Buick automobile, Washington License
[redacted] When this car was seen by [redacted] on Saturday morning
November 27, it had considerable amount of mud on it.

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[redacted] advised that the police department does not
have a photograph of [redacted] is employed by [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] should be able to verify
whether he was at work at the time of instant crime.

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[redacted] ; [redacted] said that he was furnishing this information
based on the fact that [redacted] a resemblance between him and artist's conception. 164-81-55

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It is suggested that contact be made with the
[redacted] to determine if [redacted] was in fact
working on the day of instant crime.

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FLIGHT #305,
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RE: [redacted]

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conception of the UNSUB in this case. He said that
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Weight	180 lbs.
Hair	Dark
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	[redacted]

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whether he was at work at the time of instant crime.

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based on the fact that [redacted]
a resemblance between him and artist's conception.

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SEATTLE
At Seattle, Washington

It is suggested that contact be made with the
[redacted] to determine if [redacted] was in fact
working on the day of instant crime.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
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Investigation in Clark and Cowlitz Counties on
12/3/71, consisted of the following:

mentioned in his interview at [redacted] Illinois, were
contacted and alibi furnished [redacted] was verified.

Investigation vicinity [redacted]
reflected one woman, [redacted] recalls a
light plane landing with its landing lights on between
8:00 and 8:30 PM, on 11/24/71, remaining on the ground for
approximately one half hour. However, she pointed out
that she finds nothing suspicious in this since a number
of planes land at both the Hauhn and McClellan small air
strips frequently, both day and night, and it is possible she
may be confused on the exact time of the landing of the light
plane which she has referred to as being 11/24/71.

Information developed by SA [redacted] at
Vancouver, Washington, reflects [redacted] possible
suspect in hijacking and memo to file will be furnished by
SA [redacted] on 12/6/71, with details.

Contact made with U.S. Weather Bureau, Portland,
Oregon, to determine exact weather from 7,000 feet to
ground level on 11/24/71, reflects generally conditions
previously furnished to case agent, except that some of
these winds both at 7,000 feet and on the surface could
have been coming from 225 to 235 degrees, a general southeast
wind. Further information concerning the wind and
weather conditions being furnished in insert form 164-81-552
concerning search in general.

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Information developed by SA [redacted]
reflects that a ~~marker~~ beacon receiver which could have
allowed the skyjacker to zero in on a particular ground
point from which a signal was emanating, is of cigarette
package size. An advertisement of one particular type of
marker beacon receiver is being submitted for information
to the file.

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MARKE~~R~~ BEACON Light RECEIV~~ER~~

NR 061 NY PLAIN

254 URGENT 12-3-71 KEH

TO PORTLAND
SEATTLE
FROM NEW YORK (164-627)

Say:

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE, CAA - HIJACKING OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED NYO HE RECEIVED A FOUR PAGE ARTICLE FOR PUBLICATION FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBING DETAILS OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES JET HIJACKED NEAR PORTLAND. ARTICLE SENT BY CERTIFIED MAIL AND POSTMARKED PORTLAND OREGON IS DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS FICTION APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL WITH NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS OF THIS INVESTIGATION.

PORTLAND CHECK OFFICE INDICES AND CONSIDER CONTACT OF [REDACTED] REGARDING DETAILS OF ARTICLE HE MAILED TO "MEN ONLY" MAGAZINE. ASCERTAIN IF PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF [REDACTED] IS ANYWHERE NEAR DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB.

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NYO OBTAINING ORIGINAL ARTICLE MAILED TO MAGAZINE FOR SUBSEQUENT SUBMISSION TO FBI LABORATORY FOR LATENTS.

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14:24 PM URGENT 12-3-71 JEW

TO SEATTLE (164-71)

ALPHONERONE

PORTLAND (164-41)

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM LITTLE ROCK (164-22) (P)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE
ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTY-
ONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. SEATTLE ORIGIN.

RE SEATTLE LETTER TO ALBANY, NOVEMBER THIRTY, LAST.

PT: SUSPECT [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED LITTLE
ROCK OFFICE THAT APPROXIMATELY [redacted]

SUSPECT [redacted]

[redacted]
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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT COMPOSITE SKETCH OF
UNSUB STRONGLY RESEMBLES [REDACTED] HAD [REDACTED]
HAIR.

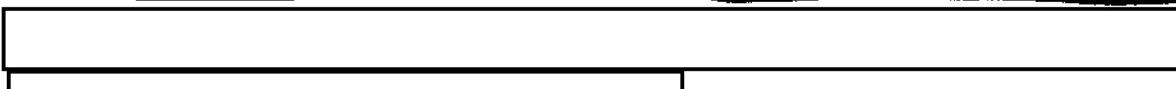
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[REDACTED] SUGGESTED [REDACTED]

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IF NEEDED. LITTLE ROCK INDICES NEGATIVE ON [REDACTED]

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ALBUQUERQUE AT ALBUQUERQUE. WILL CHECK WITH LOCAL
JUMP CLUBS AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN PHOTOGRAPH AND CURRENT
LOCATION OF SUSPECT FILES.

PORLAND DIVISION AT [REDACTED] OREGON. WILL CHECK
ON [REDACTED] ALL EDGED RESIDENCE IN [REDACTED] OREGON, AND ATTEMPT
TO OBTAIN PHOTO OF [REDACTED]

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SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION AT MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA.
WILL CHECK WITH THE U. S. PARACHUTING ASSOCIATION IN AN
ATTEMPT TO LOCATE FILES AND OBTAIN PHOTO.

SEATTLE DIVISION AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. WILL CON-
SIDER [REDACTED] SUBJECT.

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2:45 PM URGENT 12-3-71 LJO

TO: DIRECTOR

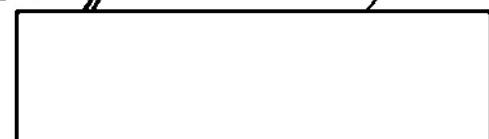
LAS VEGAS.

SEATTLE (164-71)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 3P

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Sup - [redacted]



UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, SEVENTYONE, AT ELEVEN TEN A.M., [redacted]

[redacted] REPORTED [redacted]

[redacted] MATCHED THE DESCRIPTION OF THE HIJACKER. SHE DESCRIBED HIM AS: WHITE, MALE, AMERICAN, APPROXIMATELY FORTYFIVE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FOOT TEN INCHES TALL, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, BROWN HAIR, DARK EYES, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, CLOTHING WAS [redacted] SPORT COAT, [redacted] CARRYING A [redacted]

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CHECK WITH GREYHOUND BUS LINES SHOWNED ROUTE OF GREYHOUND
BUS SCHEDULE NINE TWO TWO ORIGINATED IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA,
STOPPED IN RENO, NEVADA AT FIVE P.M., NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE,
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SEVENTYONE, BEFORE CONTINUING ON TO OREGON.

LAS VEGAS AT PENO, NEVADA. ENDEAVOR TO DETERMINE
ACTIVITIES OF [REDACTED] WHILE IN PENO AREA AND VERIFY HIS
STAY AT [REDACTED] CHECK GREYHOUND BUS DEPOT TO
DETERMINE IF SUBJECT DEPARTED PENO ON BUS SCHEDULE NINE TWO TWO
ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE, SEVENTYONE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: December 3, 1971

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines
Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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[redacted]
On December 3, 1971 Chief of Police FRANK
PATTERSON, Everett Police Department, advised he received
a phone call from [redacted] regarding the photograph of
the hijacker appearing in the Everett newspaper. [redacted]
indicated that the photograph vaguely resembled an
individual he knew as [redacted] (LNU). [redacted]

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[redacted]
[redacted] and was unable to furnish any
additional information to Chief PATTERSON. [redacted] did tell
him that [redacted] was a white male, age 40 - 45 and [redacted]
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

December 3, 1971

SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines
Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

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FROM : SA DONALD J. STEELE &
SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

RE: [redacted]

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On 12/1/71, at about 4:50 PM, a request from COP GEORGE TIELSCH, Seattle PD, disclosed that he desired personal contact by Agents of this office in subject matter. SAs DONALD J. STEELE and [redacted] arrived at the Seattle PD at approximately 5:00 PM. At that time, COP TIELSCH introduced himself in the presence of [redacted]. At that point TIELSCH said, [redacted] why don't you tell them about it without further formalities."

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[redacted] advised that an officer in his department has an informant who has given reliable information in the past and who, according to informant, [redacted]
[redacted]

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He then advised that the informant had said,

[redacted]

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[redacted] and TIELSCH indicated that inasmuch as the informant had furnished the information to their officer and had indicated [redacted]
[redacted] they would like to work with us in connection with resolving whether or not [redacted] was the hijacker.

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At 5:30 PM, contact was made with [redacted]

[redacted] home address

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[redacted], home phone [redacted]
[redacted] advised that based on the above mentioned information
from the informant [redacted]

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[redacted] also advised that in addition to the
informant mentioned above, a second informant had advised that
[redacted]

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[redacted] had reviewed records of the PD and came
up with the fact that [redacted] had been arrested on
[redacted]

[redacted] made up a montage of 8 pictures of Seattle detectives and
one of [redacted]. The detectives were all wearing sun
glasses and the glasses which [redacted] was wearing in
the picture had been blackened in to appear to be sunglasses.
In addition to this, he had prepared a montage of mug shots of
various individuals and one photo of [redacted] these
pictures being without glasses. He stated that he had been
in contact with [redacted] Northwest Airlines,
and had arranged for a noon time flight on 12/2/71 to
Minneapolis, stating that [redacted] would make arrangements for the
Stewardesses to be available [redacted] to display these
montages. He stated that [redacted] intended
to make this flight together and that [redacted] would contact him
at 7:00 AM, on 12/2/71 to confirm the flight. He advised
that an Agent could accompany him in place of [redacted]. He
stated during this discussion that he didn't want anything to
mess up his trip.

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[redacted] stated that he had discussed this matter
with a prosecutor and the prosecutor had advised him that if
he were able to get an identification from the photos he had
prepared, the prosecutor would authorize a warrant. He was
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He further advised that in his opinion the hijacker kept the briefcase and other items he had with him in his possession until he landed and then burned them. It was pointed out to him that it was quite damp that night and this would be quite difficult to which he replied, if he were doing this he would have done this by using gasoline to start the fire. He also stated if this is not the case, "why haven't you not found the briefcase?"

[redacted] was advised that it is felt that if the hijacker was wearing street shoes he quite possibly lost these during his descent to which [redacted] replied he had never heard anything like that [redacted]

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citing as an example. [redacted]

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On 12/2/71, [redacted] was telephonically contacted at his residence inasmuch as [redacted] and was advised that the photo of [redacted] had been displayed to all witnesses and none of them identified him as the hijacker. To this he replied, "he could not understand this but some times things work that way."

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/3/71

SA DONALD J. STEELE &
SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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RE: [redacted]

On 12/1/71, at about 4:50 PM, a request from COP GEORGE TIELSCH, Seattle PD, disclosed that he desired personal contact by Agents of this office in subject matter. SAs DONALD J. STEELE and [redacted] arrived at the Seattle PD at approximately 5:00 PM. At that time, COP TIELSCH introduced himself in the presence of [redacted]. At that point TIELSCH said, [redacted] why don't you tell them about it without further formalities."

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[redacted] advised that an officer in his department has an informant who has given reliable information in the past and who, according to informant, [redacted]
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We then advised that the informant had said.

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[redacted] and TIELSCH indicated that inasmuch as the informant had furnished the information to their officer and had indicated [redacted]
[redacted] they would like to work with us in connection with resolving whether or not [redacted] was the hijacker.

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At 5:30 PM, contact was made with [redacted]

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[redacted] home phone [redacted]
[redacted] advised that based on the above mentioned information
from the informant. [redacted]

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[redacted] also advised that in addition to the
informant mentioned above, a second informant had advised that
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[redacted] had reviewed records of the PD and came
up with the fact that [redacted] had been arrested on
[redacted]

Made up a montage of 8 pictures of Seattle detectives and
one of [redacted]. The detectives were all wearing sun
glasses and the glasses which [redacted] was wearing in
the picture had been blackened in to appear to be sunglasses.
In addition to this, he had prepared a montage of mug shots of
various individuals and one photo of [redacted] these
pictures being without glasses. He stated that he had been
in contact with [redacted] Northwest Airlines,
and had arranged for a noon time flight on 12/2/71 to
Minneapolis, stating that [redacted] would make arrangements for the
Stewardesses to be available [redacted] to display these
montages. He stated that [redacted] intended
to make this flight together and that [redacted] would contact him
at 7:00 AM, on 12/2/71 to confirm the flight. He advised
that an Agent could accompany him in place of [redacted]. He
stated during this discussion that he didn't want anything to
mess up his trip.

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[redacted] stated that he had discussed this matter
with a prosecutor and the prosecutor had advised him that if
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

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On 12/2/71 [redacted] Sacramento said that they had arranged to get an SR 71 from Beale AFB, California, to fly and photograph the entire flight path and then to interpret the photographs later in an attempt to locate any foreign objects, particularly the parachutes. He wanted us to send him a map showing the flight path and headings in Washington and Oregon.

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I had one of the maps which we obtained from SAGE sent to him by courier on the night of 12/2/71. This was handled by SA [redacted]

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
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Memorandum

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
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RE: [redacted]

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He said that they have a suspect reported by a woman who
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photos were being put on NW Flight 735 which would reach
Seattle at 5:25 PM today.

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get the photos.

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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[redacted] reiterated that NW people told him this was almost 100% impossible.

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12/3/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

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PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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RE: SUSPECT

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REX SHRODER called from the Bureau and referred to this teletype from Cleveland to several offices on this suspect. He said it was their thinking at the Bureau that if this suspect was a good one, that we shouldn't have to have all this collateral investigation conducted until we had shown the photo.

I told him that I agreed with him and He suggested we call Phoenix, Portland and Butte and tell them not to conduct their interviews until further advised by Seattle.

SHRODER also said if we got any kind of a break on this case, we should be sure and tell the Bureau so that they could prepare a national press release even before we file on anybody. I told him we would.

I called Phoenix and talked to the relief supervisor on the #2 Desk; to VINCE MC CARTHY at Butte and ASAC RUEHL at Portland and told them not to cover the lead in the above mentioned teletype until further advised by Seattle.

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper,
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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They have interviewed [redacted] She said that

[redacted] She has no phone number for him.
At that time he [redacted]

They are sending us a teletype. They have two
pictures of [redacted] one of which is current and they are
sending it by facsimile and airmail.

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12/3/71

ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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PRB:klb
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
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lives at [redacted] who said he [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] called.

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[redacted] He said he told this to COP JOE MAY
and he wondered if MAY had furnished this to us. I told
him I would advise the Agent handling this case in that
area.

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
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RE:SUSPECTS [redacted]

Suspect

Witnesses

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Witness [redacted] was shown pictures of the above noted suspects. [redacted] could not positively identify any of the photographs as that of the hijacker. He said that all of the people shown in the photographs could be eliminated in his opinion with the exception of [redacted].

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[redacted] He said that [redacted] resembled the hijacker in photos numbered 5 and 6. He said that in photo #5 [redacted] is sitting in a manner much like the way the hijacker was sitting on the plane. He said that although there is a good resemblance in the photograph he could not positively identify [redacted] as the hijacker unless he saw him in person.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

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On 12/1/71, [redacted] who is employed as an

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[redacted] telephonically furnished the
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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

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[redacted] telephonically furnished the following information.

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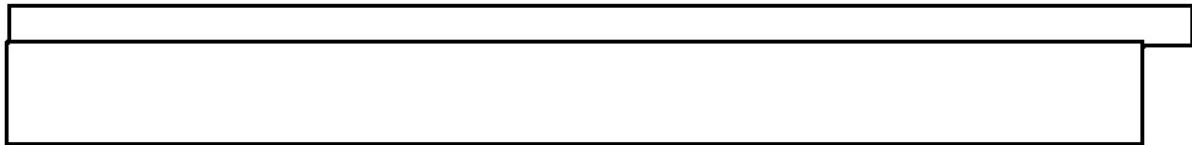
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Date:

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(Type in plaintext or code)

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TO SEATTLE

ST. LOUIS WMMF 13:56A

FROM CLEVELAND (164-88)

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TWENTYFOURTH, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE, AIRCRAFT HIJACKING, OO: SB

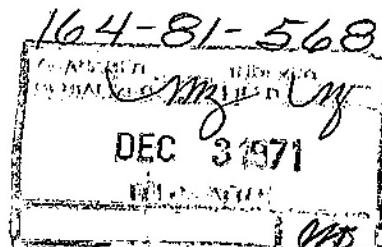
RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

RE CLEVELAND TELEPHONE CALL TO ST. LOUIS, DECEMBER THREE
INSTANT.CONFIRMING REFERENCED TELEPHONE CALL ABOVE, ST. LOUIS
REQUESTED TO CHECK MILITARY RECORD OF SUSPECT [redacted]b6
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TJB:amk

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-52) IP

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAP - HIJACKING;
EXOPTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TEL, DEC. TWO, LAST.

LIST OF SERIAL NUMBERS OF MONEY PAID TO HIJACKER DISSEMINATED
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AGENCIES IN SACRAMENTO DIV.

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WHICH PHOTOGRAPHS TWENTY MILE WIDE PATH. MAP OF NORTHWEST FLIGHT
OVER WASHINGTON AND OREGON TERRITORY FORWARDED TO SACRAMENTO BY
UNITED AIRLINES NIGHT DEC. TWO, LAST, HANDCARRIED TO REALE APP THIS
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11:41 AM URGENT 12/3/71 VLS

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM SACRAMENTO (164-50) IP

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
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5:42UPGENT 12/2/71 MAH

SUB-L

TO: DIRECTOR

WASHINGTON FIELD

SEATTLE (164-81)

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-226)

UNSUB, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING.

FOR INFORMATION UNITED STATES PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION, MONTEREY,
CALIFORNIA, DOES NOT HAVE PHOTOS OF MEMBERS ON FILE AT THEIR
OFFICE. PRIOR TO TIME MEMBERSHIP CARD ISSUED PHOTO OF MEMBER IS
NECESSARY AND IS AFFIXED TO MEMBERSHIP CARD BUT NO COPIES KEPT
BY ASSOCIATION.

[REDACTED] UNITED STATES PARACHUTE
ASSOCIATION, IS AGREEABLE TO PRINTING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION ETC.
OF SUBJECT IN THEIR MAGAZINE "PARACHUTIST" FOR JANUARY ISSUE, THE
ARTICLE TO BE PRINTED WOULD HAVE TO BE IN POSSESSION OF UNITED STATES
PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION BY DECEMBER TWELVE, NEXT.

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S:42URGGENT 12/2/71 MAH

TO: DIRECTOR
WASHINGTON FIELD
SEATTLE (164-81)
LOS ANGELES (164-497)
FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

UNSUB, NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING.

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237PM URGENT 12-3-71 MAW

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

PORTLAND (164-41)

LAS VEGAS (164-68)

PHILADELPHIA

FROM MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 2P

UNKNOWN SUBJECT; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.
CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXOPTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TELEPHONE CALL TO MINNEAPOLIS
DECEMBER TWO LAST.

[redacted]
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA, ADVISED THAT THE
HIJACKED AIRCRAFT IS NOW BEING UTILIZED COMMERCIALLY BY
THE AIRLINE AND ITS FIRST OVERNIGHT STOP WILL BE AT
SEATTLE ON DECEMBER FOUR NEXT. THE AIRCRAFT IS ARRIVING
AS FLIGHT SEVEN THREE FIVE AT FIVE DASH TWENTYSIX PM
SEATTLE TIME AND WILL BE IN SEATTLE OVERNIGHT. [redacted]

FURTHER ADVISED IN HIS TECHNICAL OPINION IT WOULD BE ALMOST
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IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANYONE TO ENTER THE PANELS WHILE THE AIRCRAFT IS IN FLIGHT INASMUCH AS THE STAIRS HAVE TO BE FULLY DESCENDED BEFORE THE PANELS CAN BE ENTERED.

HE STATED IT WOULD BE REMOTELY POSSIBLE TO ENTER EITHER OF THE PANELS BUT IS NOT VERY FEASIBLE. AS YOU FACE TOWARDS THE COCKPIT THE PANEL ON THE RIGHT SIDE HAS AMPLE ROOM FOR TWO AVERAGE SIZE INDIVIDUALS. THE PANEL ON THE LEFT SIDE HAS LESS ROOM BUT COULD ACCOMMODATE ONE PERSON.

SEATTLE IS REQUESTED TO EXAMINE AIRCRAFT AFTER
ARRIVAL AS FLIGHT SEVEN THREE FIVE.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI SEATTLE CLP

*UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

Sub Search J.

RE: SEARCH OF THE AIRCRAFT

On 12/2/71 SA [redacted] Philadelphia Division, advised that he had reinterviewed [redacted] earlier that day and in addition, [redacted] and SA [redacted] had gone to the airport at Philadelphia and looked over the after section of a Boeing 727 with the assistance of a mechanic.

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[redacted] advised that he has theorized, based on the information given by [redacted] that the hijacker might never have jumped from the aircraft. He said the hijacker is apparently an intelligent individual and his jumping under such unfavorable conditions was extremely dangerous.

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[redacted] advised that in inspecting the aircraft they found that, as you look toward the rear of the plane, the control handle which raises and lowers the air stairs is located on the left side of the aircraft. Right next to it, farther back, is a fairly large panel which hinges at the top with a locking latch at the bottom. The latch can be opened either from inside or outside.

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The purpose of the section is to permit inspection of the aircraft in the tail section. He said there is a similar inspection hatch on the right side of the aircraft. However, on the right side the compartment is small and contains

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exhause pipes which make it extremely hot in that area. However, on the lift side there is plenty of space for a man to hide, and flying under 10,000 feet would not be uncomfortable. [redacted] suggestion was that the hijacker might have hidden in that compartment and when everyone had left the plane and the area he could leave the aircraft. ASAC BIBLER telephonically contacted the Las Vegas Office to inquire as to whether or not these compartments had been located and searched and the Minneapolis Office also was contacted to determine where the plane is now located so that a search can be made of those compartments in the event they have not already been searched either by the FBI at Reno or by the airlines own mechanics at any location.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

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Date: 12/3/71

Transmit the following in 604

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Via TELETYPEURGENT

(Priority)

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) b6
b7CFROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SE. BUfile 164-2111.

RE CLEVELAND TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER THREE
INSTANT.RE: b6
b7CBUREAU HAS REQUESTED THAT PHOTOS OF BEb6
b7CDISPLAYED TO WITNESSES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. *before other investigation
in this suspect*
MINNEAPOLIS IS REQUESTED TO DISPLAY PHOTOS OF TO WITNESSES AT MINNEAPOLIS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER
THEY ARE RECEIVED, AND ADVISE SEATTLE OF RESULTS.b6
b7CJSD:klb
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Approved:

Special Agent in Charge

Sent 3⁴⁵ pm M Per vab

DB Cooper-2938

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Date: 12/3/71

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Transmit the following in _____

Via TELETYPEURGENT

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TO : SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SE. BUFILE 164-2111.

RE SEATTLE TELECALL DECEMBER TWO LAST, REQUESTING LAS VEGAS TO ADVISE WHETHER INSPECTION PANELS LOCATED NEAR THE REAR STAIRWAY IN INSTANT PLANE, WERE REMOVED AND THE AREAS BEHIND THEM INSPECTED ON THE NIGHT OF THE HIJACKING WHILE THE PLANE WAS AT RENO.

INSTANT PLANE IS GOING TO BE IN SEATTLE ON DECEMBER FOUR NEXT, AND WILL BE INSPECTED BY SEATTLE AGENTS UNLESS THIS WAS DONE AT RENO.

PLEASE SUTEL TODAY AND ADVISE.

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Approved: MSent 1:54 pmPer Vab

Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-2939

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1:54PM URGENT 12/3/71 VAR

TO LAS VEGAS (164-63)

FROM SEATTLE (164-31)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SE. BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

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SST FBI LAS VEGAS CLP

DB Cooper-2940

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

On 12/2/71, SA [redacted] telephonically talked with SA CLOW of the San Francisco Division and advised that a package was being forwarded to San Francisco via Western Airlines Flight 641, departing Seattle at 7:30 PM, and arriving in San Francisco at 9:12 PM on 12/2/71.

SA CLOW was also advised this package contained photos of the flight path of captioned aircraft from Seattle to the California border. He was also advised that this package should be forwarded via United Airlines Flight 848 departing San Francisco at 9:45 PM, and arriving in Sacramento, California at 10:20 PM, the night of 12/2/71.

At 5:10 PM SA [redacted] telephonically contacted SA RON STAMP of the Sacramento Division and advised that a package would be forwarded via aforementioned routing, since there were no direct flights Seattle to Sacramento, during the PM of 12/2/71.

SA STAMP advised that an Agent would meet United Airline Flight 848 at Sacramento.

At 7:10 PM, SA [redacted] gave aforementioned package to [redacted] Western Airlines Flight 641, who agreed to carry the package to San Francisco and turn it over to an Agent of the FBI at that point.

At 7:45 PM, SA [redacted] telephonically contacted the Night Supervisor in San Francisco and furnished the name of [redacted] as the pilot who would carry the package to San Francisco and turn it over to the FBI there.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

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SA [redacted] called from Philadelphia
12/2/71. He is the Agent who has been interviewing [redacted]
[redacted] has a theory based on the fact that
[redacted] told him subject appeared to be quite intelligent
and did not appear to be dressed for jumping. Theory is
that subject did not leave the plane until after it landed
in Reno. [redacted] got someone to take him through a 727
and there are two inspection panels in the extreme rear
of the plane, which are not readily detectable. In fact,
[redacted] did not even know about these areas. The one on
the right of the stairway door in the rear of the plane,
is untenable for very long because it is full of heat
ducts and other materials.

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The one on the left has room for a man to stand
along with the gear which subject had with him the other
night. He would not freeze at below level, nor would he
need oxygen at that level.

[redacted] is putting this in a teletype, however,
I telephoned ASAC DULINSKY in Las Vegas and asked him to
determine if FBI personnel or airline personnel in their
processing, inspected this compartment in Reno on 11/24/71.
I also called Minneapolis where I talked to the duty agent
[redacted] and asked him to have Minneapolis determine
if airline personnel had been in this compartment in instant
plane since it had been returned to duty and whether it
showed any signs of occupancy. I told him that if they
could not see if that panel had been opened, to determine
where the plane is now so that it can be inspected.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
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4:30 PM URGENT 12-3-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

Suspect:
SUB 130 "D.B. COOPER"
LETTER FILE.

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE
ZERO FIVE, ETC., CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION, (OO: SEATTLE)

SUMMARY TELETYPE.

TWO LETTERS RECEIVED TODAY SIGNED D.B. COOPER ONE BY
NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND AND ONE BY THE OREGONIAN NEWSPAPER,
PORTLAND. BOTH LETTERS AND ENVELOPES ARE BEING FORWARDED TO
FBI LABORATORY FOR EXAMINATION WITH CARBON COPIES TO SEATTLE.

OTHER INVESTIGATION BY PORTLAND TODAY RELATES TO CHECKING
OUT LOOK A LIKE LEADS WITH NO POSITIVE RESULTS. P.

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)(P)

Sub. 130

UNSUB; Northwest Airlines
Flight #305, 11/24/71,
Portland, Oregon
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Re: RWTel to Bureau, 11/29/71.

[REDACTED] U. S. Post
Office, 138 North 1st Avenue, Oakdale, California, was
interviewed at the Post Office on 11/29/71, and furnished
the following information:

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He recalls an envelope addressed to "Reno
Newspaper, Reno, Nevada" because of the unusual address,
the unusual handprinting, and the lack of a zip code on
the envelope. Although he does not recall precisely from
memory when the letter was observed by him, he advised
that if the postmark indicates a.m., it would have to have
been mailed in the main mail drop at the Oakdale Post
Office between 6:30 a.m. and approximately 11:30 a.m.
Saturday morning, 11/27/71. If the postmark indicates p.m.,

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Las Vegas (164-50) (RM) (Info)
2 - Portland (RM)
1 - Seattle (RM) (Info)
2 - Sacramento
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the letter could have been mailed at any of the varied mail drops within the postal carrier area of Oakdale or at the main Post Office anytime between the late afternoon hours on Friday and the late afternoon hours on Saturday. He advised the Oakdale Post Office is closed on Saturdays, but the front door is open for mail drop at 6:30 a.m. The mail deposited at other drop locations in Oakdale is not normally brought to the Post Office for cancellation until afternoon. On Saturday, 11/27/71, [] cancelled all the mail in the main drop and changed the cancellation stamp to p.m. at about 11:30 a.m. prior to going to lunch.

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From records, [] advised that a total of 2,267 individual pieces of mail were machine cancelled at Oakdale on 11/27/71, and about 1/3 of this or approximately 750 pieces would have been from the main Post Office mail drop. The remainder would have been brought in by the carriers during the day. [] had no knowledge of who might have mailed the letter and advised he knows of no one who might have observed the person who mailed the letter.

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[] the "Modesto Bee", who had a wire service copy of the letter, advised on 11/29/71, that the cutout printing comprising the contents of the letter came from the AA final edition of the 11/26/71, "Modesto Bee". Comparison of letter spacings, type fonts, column marks, etc. correspond exactly with the printing in the letter. [] indicated that this edition is the Modesto home edition, first copies of which reach the retail box in front of the Modesto Bee Building in Modesto at 2:30 p.m. This edition reaches the Modesto newsboys and distributors about 4:30 p.m. This edition is not sent to the Oakdale area.

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By separate communication, a copy of this newspaper has been directed to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with the original note.

11/30/71

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AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

Sub ¹³⁰ D. B. Cooper
letter

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50) (P)

UNSUB; Northwest Airlines Flight #305,
11/24/71, Portland, Oregon
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

ReLVtel to Bureau, 11/29/71, and SCairtel to
Bureau, 11/30/71.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of the
final edition (AAA) of the "Modesto Bee", 11/25/71.

Enclosed newspaper appears definitely to be
the issue from which note mentioned in retel as furnished
to the FBI Laboratory was clipped. The location of
words located are as follows:

Page 1, column 2, line 1 - "Thanks"
(from Thanksgiving)

Page 1, column 5, mid-page - "D. B. Cooper"

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2 - Portland (RM)
1 - Las Vegas (164-50) (Info) (RM)
① - Seattle (Info) (RM)
2 - Sacramento
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Page A-5, column 4-5, headline "Hospital"

Page B-11, column 4, "In a rut"

Page B-12, column 6, "Attention"

The FBI Laboratory is requested to compare the note furnished by Las Vegas with the words taken from the attached newspaper and advise Sacramento and other receiving offices.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: December 3, 1971

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
Northwest Airlines
Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Sub: D.B. Corpa
Sub. 130

On December 3, 1971

[redacted] advised SA [redacted] that he is in receipt of a letter which was sent to the Vancouver Province by an individual claiming to be D.B. COOPER. [redacted] stated that the envelope and letter were ordinary correspondence type paper and that the letter was addressed to the Chief Editor, The Province, 2250 Granville Street, Vancouver, B.C. The letter was postmarked from Vancouver, B.C., time 2 p.m., dated November 30, 1971. The letter, which was written by means of printing, reads as follows:

"Chief Editor, The Province, The composite drawing on page 3 as suspected by FBI does not represent the truth. I enjoyed the gray ^{C.P.} game. Am leaving Vancouver. Thanks for your hospitality. Signed, D.B. COOPER."

[redacted] believes that the letter constitutes a hoax. However, he advised that he is forwarding the original and one copy through the mail.

CC:kdl

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

December 3, 1971

SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
Northwest Airlines
Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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MAIL LV PLAIN

951 PM MITEL 12-2-71 GEJ

TO DIRECTOR, PORTLAND, SEATTLE, AND SACRAMENTO
FROM LAS VEGAS 164-67 2P

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Second letter to
Reno newspaper
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letter to Vancouver
BC newspaper

UNUSUAL HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING, EXTORTION
OO: PORTLAND.

[REDACTED] RENO GAZETTE, THIS DATE ADVISED
ANOTHER NOTE RECEIVED IN AFTERNOON MAIL. NOTE ON LINED PAPER
WITH WORDS CUT FROM NEWSPAPER PASTED ON IT.

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NOTE STATES, "PLAN AHEAD FOR RETIREMENT INCOME D. B. COOPER." ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO RENO GAZETTE, RENO, NEVADA, AND POST MARKED U. S. POSTAL SERVICE, CA NINE FIVE SIX, PM, DECEMBER ONE, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE.

POST OFFICE, RENO, ADVISED NINE FIVE SIX IS NUMBER FOR SACRAMENTO SECTOR AND TAKES IN NUMEROUS SMALLER TOWNS.

[REDACTED] ALSO ADVISED A NEWSPAPER IN VANCOUVER, B.C., HAD RECEIVED A NOTE ACCORDING TO WIPE SERVICE STORY.

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Vancouver Lead ✓

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NOTE BEING FORWARDED FBI LAB.

SEATTLE, THROUGH LIAISON SOURCES ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN NOTE
FROM VANCOUVER PAPER.

END

TIM

FBI SEATTLE

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851 PM NITEL 12-2-71 GEJ

TO DIRECTOR, PORTLAND, SEATTLE, AND SACRAMENTO
FROM LAS VEGAS 164-60 2P

UNUSB; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA - HIJACKING, EXTORTION
OO: PORTLAND.

[REDACTED] RENO GAZETTE, THIS DATE ADVISED
ANOTHER NOTE RECEIVED IN AFTERNOON MAIL. NOTE ON LINED PAPER
WITH WORDS CUT FROM NEWSPAPER PASTED ON IT.

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NOTE BEING FORWARDED FBI LAB.

SEATTLE, THROUGH LIAISON SOURCES ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN NOTE
FROM VANCOUVER PAPER.

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FBI SEATTLE

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I AM ALIVE AND

doing well in

Home town P.O.

The system that beats the system.

P B COOPER

RECEIVED FROM
"THE OREGONIAN," 12/2/71
164-41

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FURTHER INFORMATION
IS FORWARDED BY
THE FEDERAL BUREAU
OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Editor - Oregonian
1320 S.W. BROADWAY
97201

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"THE OREGONIAN," 12/2/71
164-41

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date December 2, 1971

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[REDACTED] "The Oregonian,"
 1320 S.W. Broadway, Portland, Oregon, made available an
 envelope and letter received by "The Oregonian" in the
 morning mail on 12/2/71.

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The letter was constructed of letters clipped from
 a magazine and mounted on a piece of yellow paper, and reads
 "Am alive and doing well in home town P.O. The system
 that beats the system. D B Cooper." The letter was
 received in an envelope addressed to the "Editor--Oregonian,
 1320 S.W. Broadway 97201" postmarked P.M., December 1, 1971,
 U.S. Postal Service 970.

The letter was handled by the following individuals
 who are employees of "The Oregonian":

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] opened the letter
 and then the letter was carried to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] handled the letter.

On 12/2/71 at Portland, Oregon

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by SA [REDACTED] njm

Date dictated 12/2/71

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DB Cooper-2957

12/2/71

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AIRMAIL - REGISTERED

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CAA-NIJACTION; EXTORTION
(OO: Seattle)

~~SUSP~~

*SUB: LETTERS
ANONYMOUS
D.B. Cooper
letter file*

Re Bureau airtel to all offices except Seattle,
Portland and Las Vegas, 11/29/71.

Enclosed for Bureau are two copies of FD-302
dated 12/2/71, of [REDACTED] and the originals of an
envelope and a letter which are described in the FD-302.

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Enclosed for Seattle are two copies of the
FD-302 and two copies each of the envelope and letter.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU, FBI LABORATORY

The FBI Laboratory is requested to conduct a
fingerprint examination of the envelope and letter. Elimination
prints have not been obtained from those individuals handling
the documents, but if such prints would be of any value, Portland
will obtain same upon request of the FBI Laboratory.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 4)(W)(F)
2 - Seattle (Enc. 6)(164-81)
2 - Portland

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[Signature]

DB Cooper-2958

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Date: 12/2/71

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION
(OO: Seattle)

Re Bureau airtel to all offices except Seattle,
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 2 - Seattle (Enc. 6)(164-81)
 2 - Portland

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DB Cooper-2959

Approved: _____ Sent: _____ M Per: _____
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA JOHN L KETCHAM (P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUFILE 164-2111

Sub: Boeing
Tech Data

[redacted]
[redacted] advised that [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

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FROM : SA [redacted] (P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUFILE 164-2111

Sub: *Sub P.*
Baloney
Tech Data

[redacted]
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

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RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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[redacted] telephone [redacted] advised that he had been
looking at a picture of an individual he [redacted]
[redacted] and that there is
a good similarity. [redacted]

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[redacted] He is described as:

Height: 6'
Weight: 180 lbs.
Hair: Dark

[redacted] stated [redacted] wears no glasses; his hair is
thinning, however, and he was balding in front when [redacted]
[redacted] a few years ago. He would be about age [redacted]

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[redacted] will make the picture available on contact
by an Agent.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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[redacted] will make the picture available on contact
by an Agent.

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5:35 PM NITEL 12-3-71 WJG

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

LOS ANGELES (164-497)

SEATTLE

WFO

FROM PHOENIX (164-100) 2P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE. SUSPECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS IN VIEW OF FACT HE REPORTEDLY CARRIES GUN.

RE [REDACTED] AKA.

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RE LOS ANGELES NITEL PHOENIX, ET AL, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

INQUIRY PD NOGALES, SONORA, MEXICO; PD NOGALES, ARIZONA; SANTA CRUZ COUNTY SO, NOGALES, ARIZONA; AND US INS, NEGATIVE

RE [REDACTED] AKA.

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[REDACTED] NOGALES INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT,
ADVISED [REDACTED] AKA UNKNOWN TO HIM AS [REDACTED]

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INVOLVED IN [REDACTED]

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SOURCES CONTACTED STATED NAME [REDACTED] DOES NOT APPEAR
TO BE [REDACTED] NAME AND ALL STATED THEY KNEW OF NO
ONE HAVING SIMILAR SOUNDING NAME WELL KNOWN IN CRIMINAL
CIRCLES IN NOGALES, SONORA, MEXICO AREA.

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WFO REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY ADVISE PHOENIX IF CORRECT
NAME OF [REDACTED] DEVELOPED DURING CHECK OF HOTELS.
PENDING.

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END

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

DB Cooper-2965

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2:45PM DEGFTN 12/3/71 FXH

TO: DALLAS

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SAN FRANCISCO

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: ALBUQUERQUE (149-131) 2P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE; NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE.

CIA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION OO: SEATTLE BUFILE ONE SIXTYFOUR -
TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE LAST,
AND ALBUQUERQUE TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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FOR INFO DALLAS, CINCINNATI ADVISED ONE [redacted]

[redacted] CINCINNATI, ADVISED DECEMBER ONE
LAST THE COMPOSITE OF UNSUB APPEARING IN THE CINCINNATI PAPERS
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APPEARS TO BE ONE [REDACTED] FORMERLY FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS "MA, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SEVENTYTWO INCHES, ONE EIGHTFIVE,

[REDACTED] FBI NO. [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION AT ALBUQUERQUE REFLECTS [REDACTED] HAS BEEN RECENTLY

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[REDACTED] AND POSSIBLY [REDACTED] APFA.

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DALLAS WILL CONDUCT LOGICAL INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE [REDACTED]

AND ESTABLISH HIS WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF CAPTIONED MATTER.

ADVISE ALBUQUERQUE, SAN FRANCISCO AND SEATTLE IF LOCATED AS
ALBUQUERQUE AND SAN FRANCISCO CONDUCTING OTHER INVESTIGATION TO
LOCATE.

THIS INDIVIDUAL IS BEING SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE
EXTORTION OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM NORTHWEST AIRLINES
BY THREATENING THE CREW OF THE AIRLINE WITH A PACKAGE WHICH HE
STATED CONTAINED A BOMB. HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

P.

FNU

JFK FBI SEATTLE

CLP

DB Cooper-2967

December 3, 1971

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines
Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

~~Re Portland teletype to Seattle 11/29/71.~~

RE: [redacted]
~~(Previously carried as [redacted])~~

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On December 1, 1971 [redacted]

[redacted] advised that [redacted] applied for a loan in [redacted]
[redacted] on a 1968 Dodge Valiant van, title of which, according to [redacted] is still held by [redacted]

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[redacted] furnished the following information in connection with this loan:

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2 - Portland
3 - Seattle
JWS:kdl

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DB Cooper-2968

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SE 164-81

Name

b6
b7C

Age

Height

6'

Weight

175

Eyes

Brown

Hair

Brown

Marital Status

b6
b7C

Previous Addresses

b6
b7C

Occupation

b6
b7C

Relatives

b6
b7C

Credit Rating

b6
b7C

Miscellaneous

SE 164-81

[redacted] also related that her records reflect
that [redacted] still holds title to
aforementioned van [redacted]

[redacted] this time. She also related that [redacted] account has been
[redacted]
[redacted]

Records of the Seattle Credit Bureau, Seattle Police Department, and King County Sheriff's Office checked on December 2, 1971 reflect the following additional information concerning [redacted]

Residences

[redacted]

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Employment

[redacted]

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b7C

SE 164-81



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Marital



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No arrest record was located for [redacted] at the Seattle Police Department or the King County Sheriff's Office and his name is negative in Seattle indices.

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The above is furnished for the information of the Portland Office in the investigation of this matter.

December 3, 1971

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines
Flight 305
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Re Portland teletype to Seattle 11/29/71.

RE: [redacted]
(Previously carried as [redacted])

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[redacted] applied for a loan in [redacted]
[redacted] on a 1968 Dodge Valiant van, title of which, according
to [redacted] is still held by [redacted]

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[redacted] furnished the following information in
connection with this loan:

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2 - Portland
3 - Seattle
JKS:kdl

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DB Cooper-2972

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SE 164-81

Name [redacted] b6
Age [redacted] b7C
Height 6'
Weight 175
Eyes Brown
Hair Brown
Marital Status [redacted] b6
Previous Addresses [redacted] b7C

Occupation [redacted] b6
b7C

Relatives [redacted] b6
b7C

Credit Rating [redacted]

Miscellaneous [redacted] b6
b7C

SE 164-81

[redacted] also related that her records reflect
that [redacted] still holds title to
aforementioned van [redacted]
[redacted] this time. She also related that [redacted] account has been
[redacted]

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Records of the Seattle Credit Bureau, Seattle Police Department, and King County Sheriff's Office checked on December 2, 1971 reflect the following additional information concerning [redacted]

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Residences

[redacted]

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b7C

Employment

[redacted]

b6
b7C

SE 164-81

[Redacted]

b6
b7C

Marital

[Redacted]

b6
b7C

No arrest record was located for [Redacted] at the Seattle Police Department or the King County Sheriff's Office and his name is negative in Seattle indices.

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b7C

The above is furnished for the information of the Portland Office in the investigation of this matter.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

00: Seattle

RE: SUSPECT

On 12/2/71 SA [] FBI, Minneapolis, who is handling the case with Northwest Airlines, advised that [] had told SAC HELD that [] suspect he wished to refer to the FBI. This information was then given to [] for referral to Seattle.

[redacted] advised that he has the impression from information furnished by [redacted]

He furnished the following physical description concerning

Name
Race
Address

White

Birth

Home phone:

Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes

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165 pounds

100 pounds
Dark brown

Brown

stated

beliefs might have come

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Gas is best
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are native
and antecedent
S. Savings Bonds Regulations on the Reserve

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Mg Jr

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-2976



SE 164-81

from Seattle as [redacted]

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[redacted]
It is not clear whether [redacted] but [redacted] thinks
he is [redacted]

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[redacted]
[redacted]

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No photograph was available.

NOTE: Minneapolis should be advised of the outcome
of this individual as a suspect so they may in turn give
the information to [redacted]

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

On 12/2/71 SA [redacted] FBI, Minneapolis, who is handling the case with Northwest Airlines, advised that [redacted] had told SAC HELD that [redacted] suspect he wished to refer to the FBI. This information was then given to [redacted] for referral to Seattle.

[redacted] advised that he has the impression from information furnished by [redacted]

He furnished the following physical description concerning [redacted]

Name
Race
Address

[redacted]
White

Birth

[redacted]
Home phone: [redacted]

Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes

5'7"
165 pounds
Dark brown
Brown

[redacted] stated [redacted]

[redacted] believes might have come

CEF:jlb
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giving that we
see nothing
we never come
out of our way

164-81-590

Urg U.S.
12/3/71

[redacted] M

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



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DB Cooper-2978

SE 164-81

from Seattle as [redacted]

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b7C
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[redacted]
It is not clear whether [redacted] is now a current
[redacted] but [redacted] thinks
he is [redacted]

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b7C
b7D

[redacted]
[redacted]
No photograph was available.

b6
b7C
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NOTE: Minneapolis should be advised of the outcome
of this individual as a suspect so they may in turn give
the information to [redacted]

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

F B I

Date: 11/30/71

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTELAIRMAIL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (164-NEW) (RUC)

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305,
11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING, EXTORTION
(OO: SE)

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Enclosed for Seattle and Minneapolis are one copy each of Houston PD Arrest Records and mug shots of
Enclosed
for San Antonio is one copy each of
Houston PD arrest record.

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- ② - Seattle (Enc. 4)
 2 - Minneapolis (Enc. 4)
 2 - San Antonio (Enc. 2)
 1 - Houston
 TRP/sac

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Wait to get better
photo

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Approved: 136/wm Sent _____ M Per _____ DB Cooper-2984
 Special Agent in Charge

HO 164-NEW

On 11/29/71, the records of the Houston PD were checked and copies of both individuals' arrest sheets were obtained along with photos of each subject.

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS:

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Will conduct photographic lineup containing enclosed photos for crew members of hijacked airliner to determine if [redacted] identical with unsub in this matter.

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SAN ANTONIO:

AT AUSTIN, TEXAS

Will expeditiously check files of Texas Department of Public Safety and Drivers License Bureau and attempt to obtain recent photos of [redacted]. If obtained, immediately forward same to Minneapolis and Seattle.

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SEATTLE:

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Will arrange for photographic lineup containing enclosed photos for any logical witnesses to hijacking.

CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

11/30/71

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTN: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIGHJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

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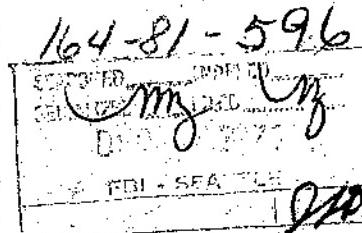
Re Las Vegas tels to Bureau and Seattle, 11/30/71.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau is the original letter and envelope forwarded to the "Reno Evening Gazette" at Reno, Nevada, postmarked Oakdale, California, 11/27/71.

Elimination fingerprints of personnel handling same at the newspaper are being obtained and will be forwarded to the Bureau as soon as received.

The Laboratory is requested to conduct appropriate examination of the enclosed to determine any pertinent latent fingerprints which could be identified with the sender and furnish the results to pertinent offices.

3-Bureau (Enc. 2)
①Seattle (164-81) (Info)
1-Portland (Info)
1-Sacramento (Info)
1-Las Vegas
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TO: LAS VEGAS (164-60)
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SE.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY LAST, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED

THE COMPOSITE PICTURE OF HIJACKER WHICH APPEARED IN LOCAL NEWSPAPERS APPEARS TO BE IDENTICAL WITH A MAN SHE KNEW AS [REDACTED]

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1 Portland

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SHE DESCRIBED HIM AS FOLLOWS:

WMA, SIX FEET TO SIX FEET ONE, [REDACTED] YEARS OF
AGE, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY TO EIGHTY POUNDS, OLIVE COMPLEXION.

LAS VEGAS, AT [REDACTED] MAY ATTEMPT
TO IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND ASCERTAIN IF HE IS POSSIBLY IDENTICAL
WITH UNSUB.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Susp. PARACHUTE SPOTTED
NEAR RIGDON FOREST
STATION, OAKRIDGE
ONE

NR 001 PD PLAIN

9:25 AM URGENT 12-4-71 GEO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA- HIJACKING
EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR- TWO ONE ONE ONE.

REMYTEL DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

SMALL PARACHUTE SPOTTED IN FOREST NEAR RIGDON FOREST STATION,
NEAR OAKRIDGE, OREGON, REPORTED IN RETEL DETERMINED TO BEAR
METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENT HAVING GOVERNMENT IDENTIFICATION ON IT.

NO FURTHER ACTION RE THIS LEAD BEING TAKEN.

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4:40AM URGENT 12-4-71 DCW

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

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MINNEAPOLIS

LAS VEGAS (164-60)

FROM DIRECTOR 2P

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EVIDENCE

UNSUB, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE NAUGHT FIVE, PORTLAND
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION.

RE SEATTLE LETTER NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SEVENTYONE SUBMITTING
THREE PAPER ITEMS.

~~TWENTYFOUR LATENT FINGERPRINTS AND FIVE LATENT PALM PRINTS~~
~~DEVELOPED.~~

LATENT FINGERPRINTS NOT IDENTICAL FINGERPRINTS FOLLOWING,
WHOSE PALM PRINTS NOT AVAILABLE: [REDACTED] FBI

NUMBER [REDACTED] FBI

NUMBER [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT:UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 12/1/71. [redacted] Los Angeles, California, Area Code [redacted] telephonically advised that he had just received information over the wire datelined Mt. Vernon, Wa., wherein the Washington State Police had a high speed chase on I-5 and the individual, described as middle aged, wrecked his vehicle and was later captured on foot and booked in the Skagit County Jail pending the determination of his identity. In the vehicle they found "MONEY ALL OVER THE PLACE", some of which was foreign currency. [redacted] advised that he thought this could possibly be the hijacker, and that if any positive information was developed from this he would like to be called for the story.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-3018

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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RE: [redacted]
SUSPECT

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[redacted] On December 2, 1971, Skagit County Undersheriff Mt. Vernon, Washington, advised that on the preceding evening a Washington State Patrol (WSP) Trooper stopped a 1969 Chevrolet, Washington License [redacted] northbound on Interstate 5 at [redacted] Washington.

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[redacted] They were able to catch the driver and booked him at the Skagit County Jail where he was identified as [redacted]

He is described as follows:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Birthdate	[redacted]
Height	6'2"
Weight	190 lbs.
Hair	Graying black
Eyes	[redacted]
Complexion	swarthy
Nationality	[redacted]
Occupation	[redacted]

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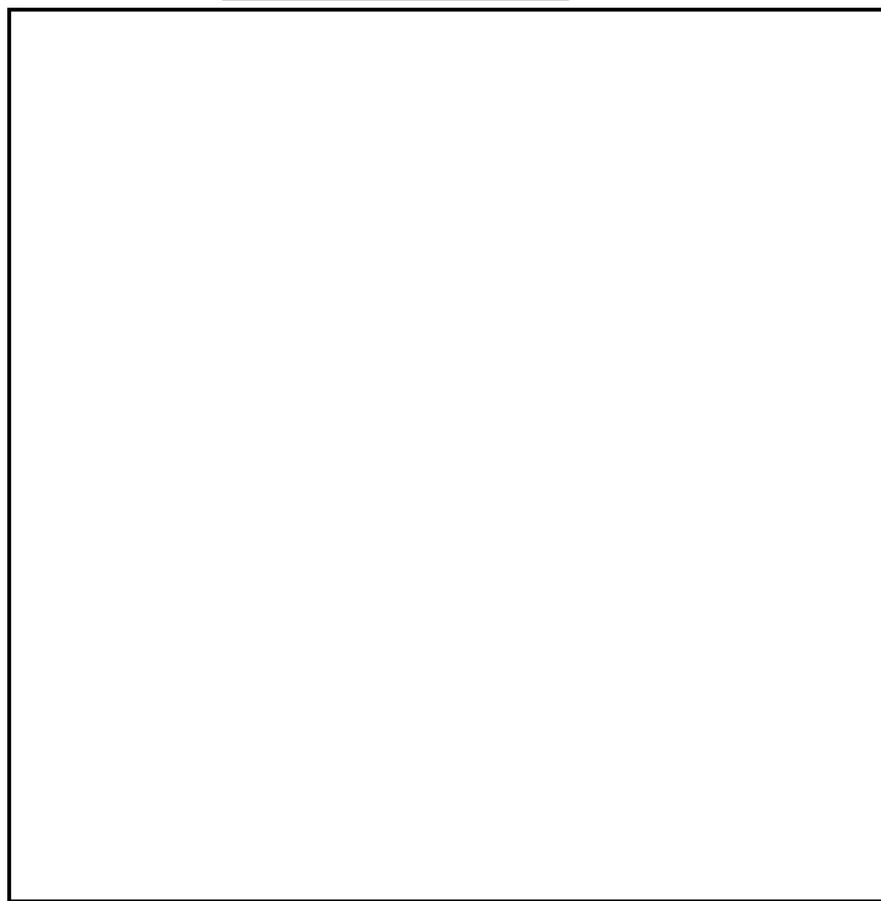
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following additional [redacted]

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Subject also had [redacted]
California. He has a U.S. Passport [redacted]

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In his possession was a copy of a citation
[redacted] issued by the [redacted]
[redacted] hours by Officer [redacted] citing subject
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lives in either [redacted] Telephone [redacted]
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It is suggested that [redacted] photograph be displayed to available witnesses in this matter.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

12/3/71

SA [redacted]

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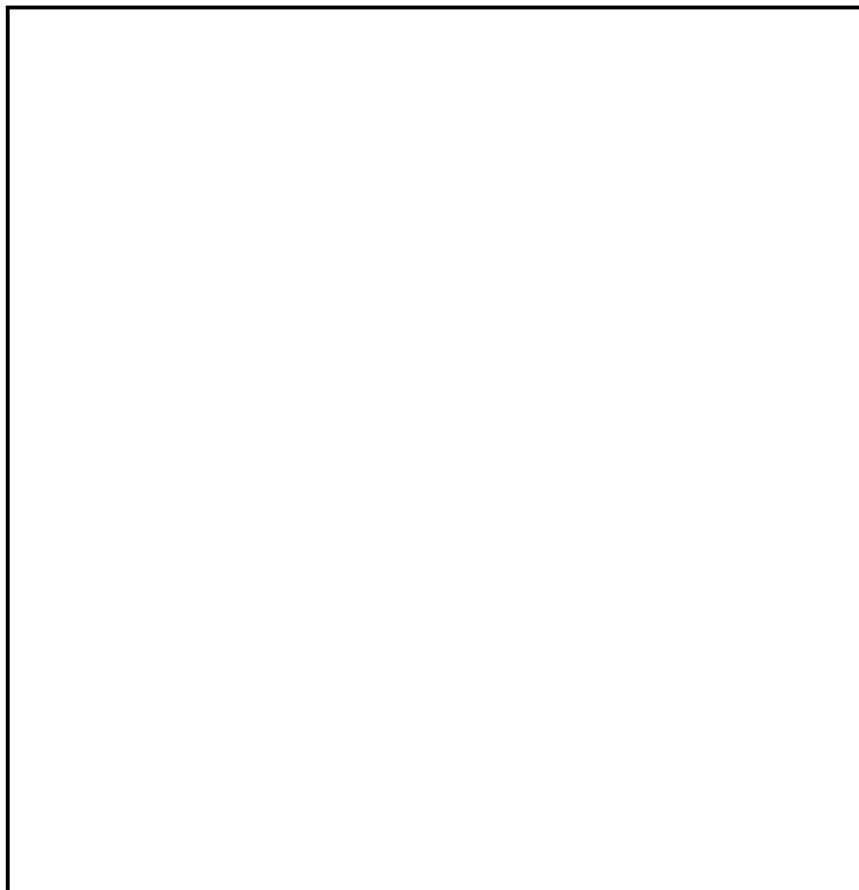
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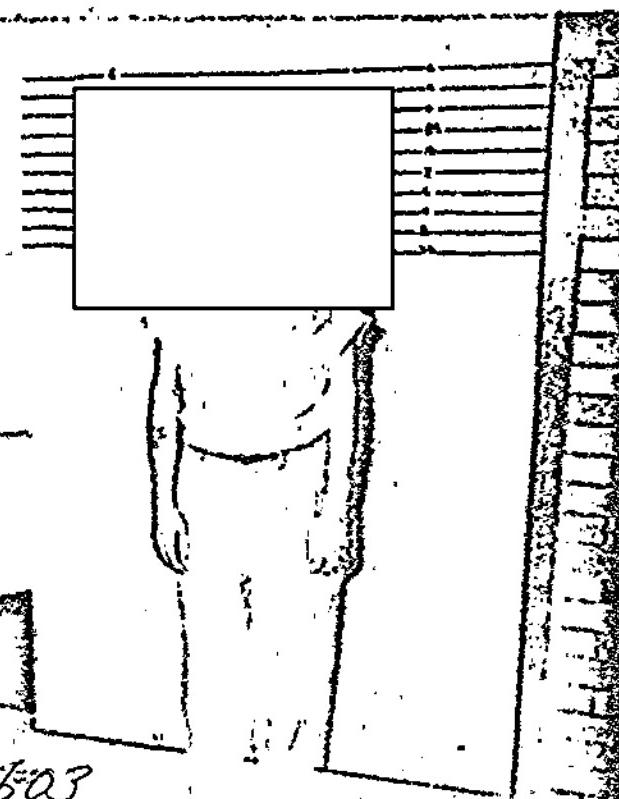
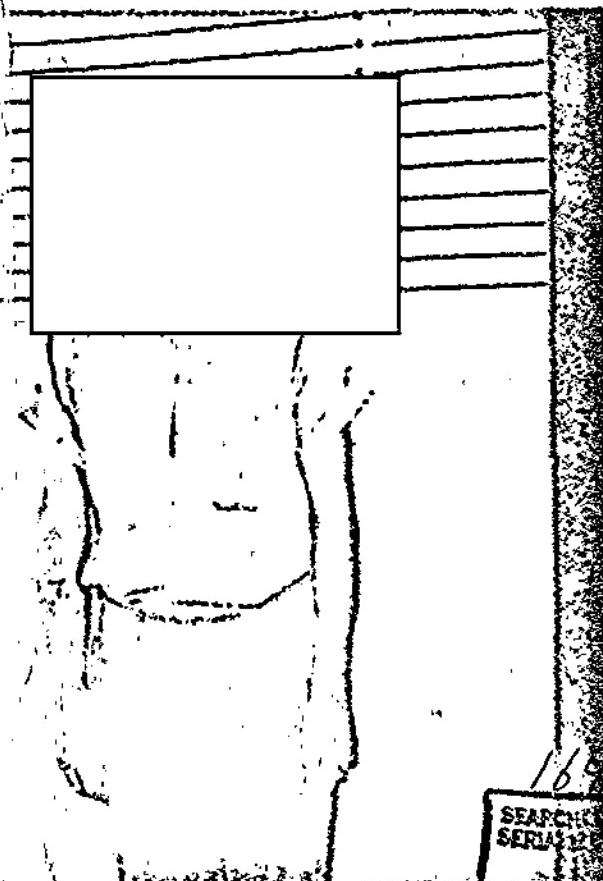
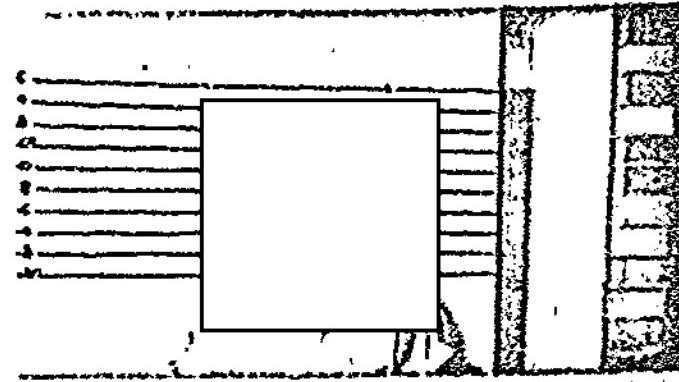
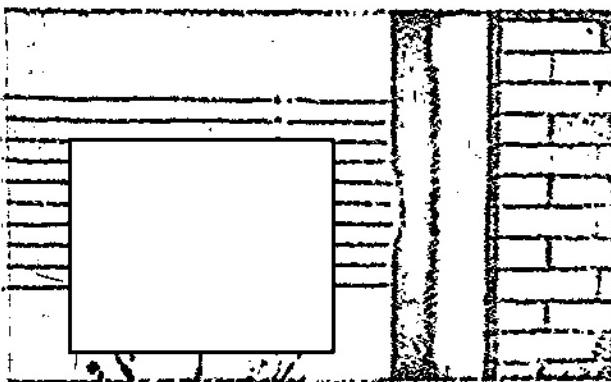
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FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING

SUSPECT - [REDACTED]

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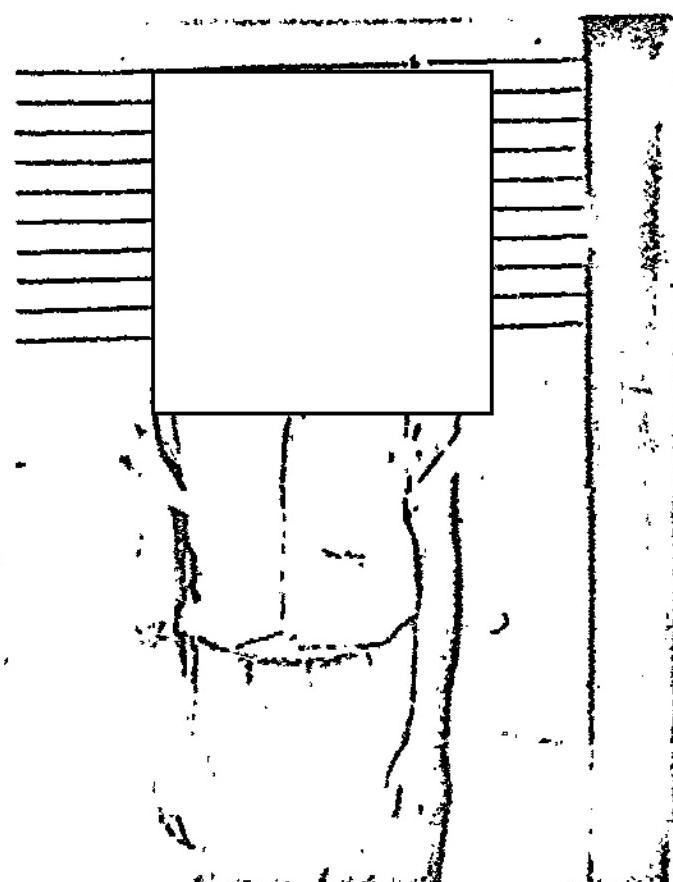
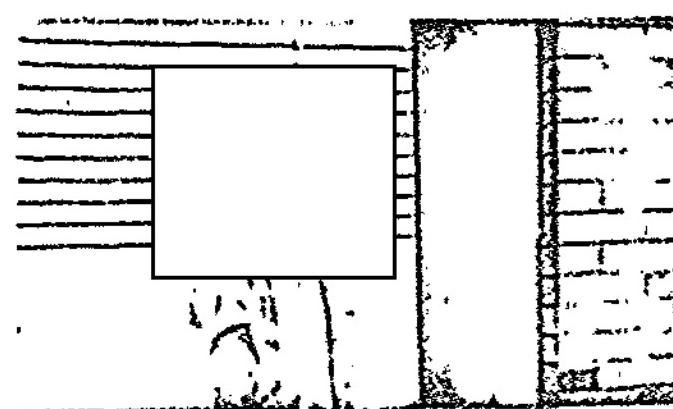
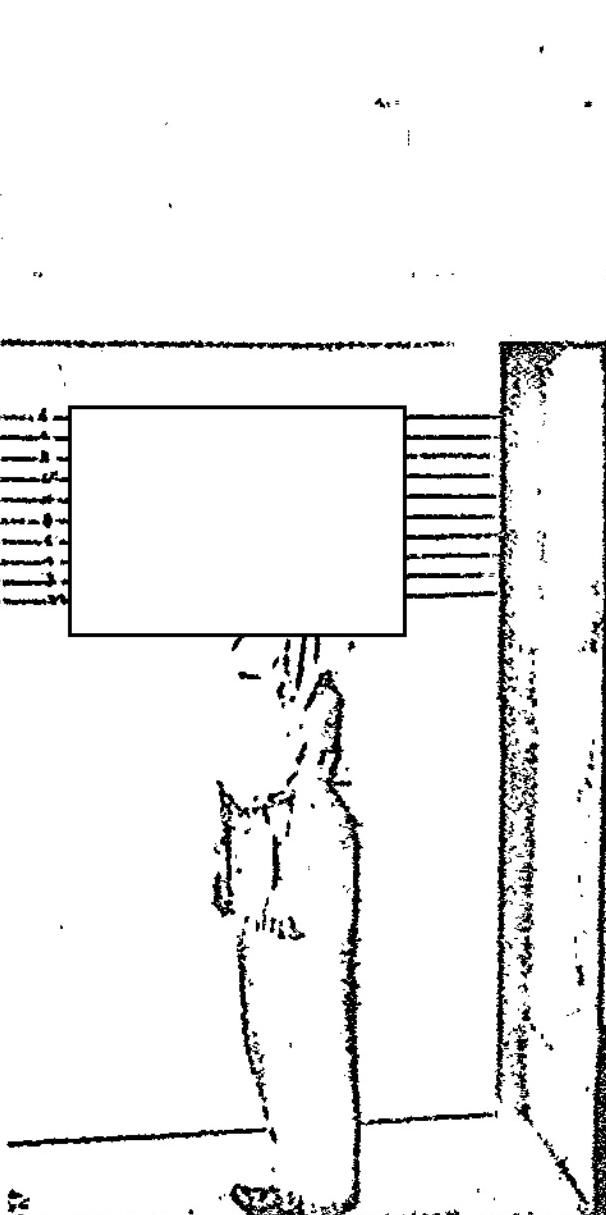
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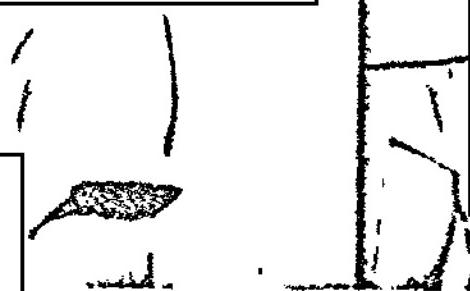
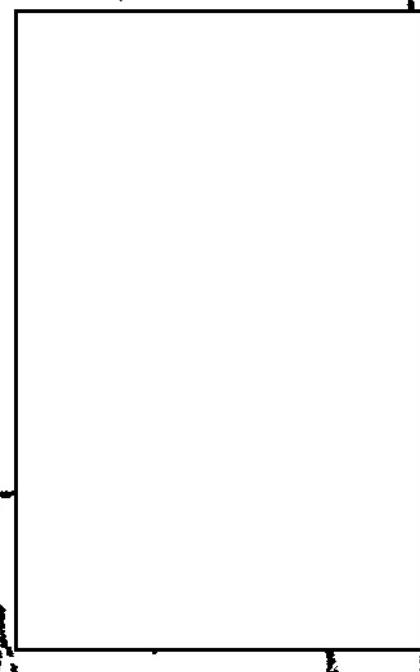
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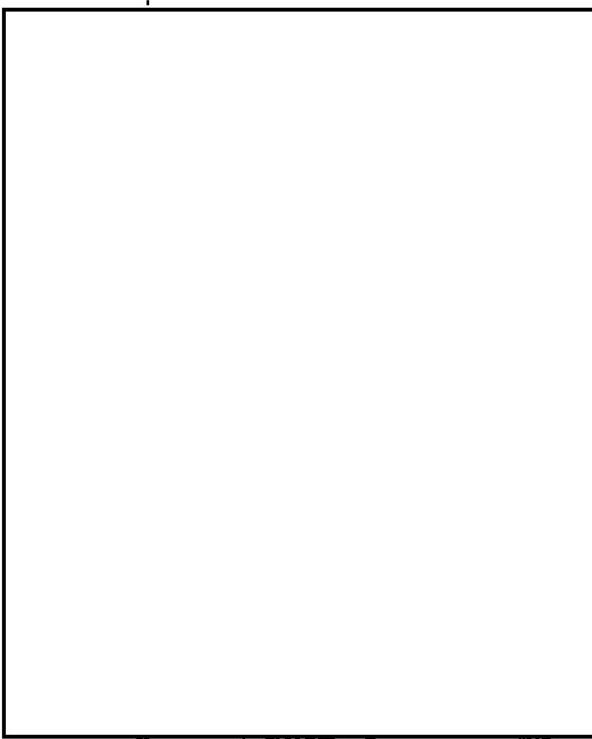
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TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE

MINNEAPOLIS

FROM SPRINGFIELD (164-31) (8P)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING, OO: SEATTLE.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES EXCEPT SEATTLE, PORTLAND AND LAS VEGAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE, LAST.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT BELOW SUSPECT MATCHES DESCRIPTION OF UNSUB IN THIS MATTER.

ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, LAST, [redacted]

[redacted] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED

SPRINGFIELD DIVISION AND ADVISED THAT HE HAS POSSIBLE SUSPECT IN INSTANT MATTER. [redacted] INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS [redacted]

AND [redacted] ON NOVEMBER THIRTY, LAST. [redacted]

ADVISED [redacted] APPROXIMATELY FORTYFIVE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE EIGHTYFIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, DARK EYES, WHO IS [redacted]

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[REDACTED] CLOSELY RESEMBLES COMPOSITE
PHOTOGRAPH OBSERVED IN LOCAL SPRINGFIELD NEWSPAPER. [REDACTED]

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SPRINGFIELD INDICES REVEALED [REDACTED] SUBJECT

[REDACTED] SPRINGFIELD FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ARRESTED BY BUREAU AGENTS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED] AT THAT TIME

REVEALED HE WAS [REDACTED] TO APPLY FOR JOB AT

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[REDACTED] PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT WAS THAT OF AN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FURTHER REVIEW OF FILE REVEALED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

AREA AND WARRANT ISSUED BY [REDACTED] MISSOURI POLICE

DEPARTMENT. NO DISPOSITION SHOWN IN FILE. UNDER [REDACTED]

FILE [REDACTED] A REVIEW OF SAME

REVEALED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] UNDER SPRINGFIELD FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] A REVIEW REVEALED THAT ON [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REQUESTED [REDACTED]

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INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ON DECEMBER ONE,

INSTANT, BY SA [REDACTED] REVEALED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RESIGNED FROM [REDACTED]

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FOR OTHER EMPLOYMENT [REDACTED]

UNSUBSTANTIATED INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT AN UNKNOWN POLICE
DEPARTMENT IN FLORIDA HAD RECENTLY CONTACTED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REGARDING [REDACTED]

ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN. [REDACTED] COULD NOT VERIFY OR DENY
THIS INFORMATION BUT ADVISED THAT SOMETIME AGO A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THIS INFORMATION
NOT CONFIRMED AS [REDACTED] RECORDS REGARDING THIS.

RECONTACT WITH [REDACTED] ON DECEMBER ONE, INSTANT,
REVEALED THAT AS OF [REDACTED]

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THE FOLLOWING COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND
INFORMATION OF [REDACTED] OBTAINED THROUGH SPRINGFIELD FILES,

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DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET

TEN AND ONE-HALF INCHES; ONE SIXTYFIVE POUNDS (AS OF NINETEEN
SIXTYONE); BLACK HAIR; BROWN EYES, NO GLASSES; NO SPEECH DEFECT
OR ACCENT; TEETH - [REDACTED]

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DARK COMPLECTED; SCARS - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TATTOOS - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MARKS - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] SSAN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FBI NUMBER [REDACTED]

EDUCATION - [REDACTED]

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FOR INFORMATION OF SEATTLE, MAJOR CASE PRINTS AND HAND-WRITING EXEMPLARS TAKEN WHEN ARRESTED IN [REDACTED]
BY FBI SPRINGFIELD. FURTHER INFORMATION REVEALED WHEN SUBJECT
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RESIDING IN [REDACTED]

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FACSIMILE PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] BEING FORWARDED TO
SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS AS CREW OF PLANE BASED MINNEAPOLIS.

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SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS KEEP SPRINGFIELD ADVISED AS TO
DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THIS SUSPECT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT SPRINGFIELD. P.

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757 PM URGENT 12-1-71 AEF

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE

MINNEAPOLIS

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[REDACTED] ON DECEMBER ONE,
INSTANT, BY SA [REDACTED] REVEALED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] RESIGNED FROM [REDACTED]
FOR OTHER EMPLOYMENT [REDACTED]

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UNSUBSTANTIATED INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THAT AN UNKNOWN POLICE
DEPARTMENT IN FLORIDA HAD RECENTLY CONTACTED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] REGARDING [REDACTED]
ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN. [REDACTED] COULD NOT VERIFY OR DENY
THIS INFORMATION BUT ADVISED THAT SOMETIME AGO A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] THIS INFORMATION
NOT CONFIRMED AS [REDACTED] RECORDS REGARDING THIS.

RECONTACT WITH [REDACTED] ON DECEMBER ONE, INSTANT,
REVEALED THAT AS OF [REDACTED]

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THE FOLLOWING COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND
INFORMATION OF [REDACTED] OBTAINED THROUGH SPRINGFIELD FILES,

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DOB [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FIVE FEET

TEN AND ONE-HALF INCHES; ONE SIXTYFIVE POUNDS (AS OF NINETEEN
SIXTYONE); BLACK HAIR; BROWN EYES, NO GLASSES; NO SPEECH DEFECT
OR ACCENT; TEETH - [REDACTED]

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DARK COMPLECTED; SCARS - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TATTOOS - [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MARKS -

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] MILITARY SERVICE - [REDACTED]

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FOR INFORMATION OF SEATTLE, MAJOR CASE PRINTS AND HAND-
WRITING EXEMPLARS TAKEN WHEN ARRESTED IN [REDACTED]
BY FBI SPRINGFIELD. FURTHER INFORMATION REVEALED WHEN SUBJECT
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RESIDING IN [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
FACSIMILE PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] BEING FORWARDED TO
SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS AS CREW OF PLANE BASED MINNEAPOLIS.

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SEATTLE AND MINNEAPOLIS KEEP SPRINGFIELD ADVISED AS TO
DEVELOPMENTS CONCERNING THIS SUSPECT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING AT SPRINGFIELD. P.

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Date: 11/29/71

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TO: SAC, SEATTLE

FROM: SAC DALLAS (164-191) (P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
Northwest Airlines
Boeing 727
Seattle, Washington
11/24/71
CAA - PIRACY

OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed is one photo of [redacted]

On 11/29/71.

[redacted] telephonically advised that he had received information from an individual whose identity he does not desire to disclose at the present time that UNSUB in instant matter might be identical to [redacted]

[redacted] who has used following aliases in the past, [redacted] is the subject of a pending UFAP - [redacted] investigation in the Dallas Division (file [redacted])

[redacted] stated that his source had advised that [redacted] in the past, [redacted] allegedly has [redacted] is soft-spoken and fits general description of UNSUB hijacker.

[redacted] is described as:

Race
Sex

White
Male

(2)- Seattle (Enc. 1) *ref'd*
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Age
Birthdate
Birthplace
Height
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Build
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[Redacted]
6'1"
163 pounds
Slender
Brown
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Tattoo

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[Redacted]

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AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Will exhibit photograph of
[Redacted] to witnesses to determine if [Redacted] possibly identical
to UNSUB.

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DB Cooper-3047

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
Portland to Seattle,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

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RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted]
[redacted] said that he had heard we were checking on a
suspect named [redacted] is allegedly
[redacted] wants us to be sure and
fill [redacted] in if there is any indication [redacted]
is involved.

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

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UNSUB; N.W. AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE; PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEAT
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SUSPECT

PHOTO OF SUSPECT

SHOWN TO

N.W.

AIRLINES, PORTLAND, ON DECEMBER TWO SEVENTYONE AND [REDACTED] OF OPINION

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SUSPECT NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB.

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5:09PM NITEL 12/3/71 LSB
TO PHOENIX
SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER
TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO SE.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT AS
FOLLOWS:

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WMA, AGE [REDACTED] FIVE FEET TEN, ONE EIGHTYFIVE LBS., BROWN CREW
CUT HAIR, RUDDY COMPLEXION, [REDACTED]

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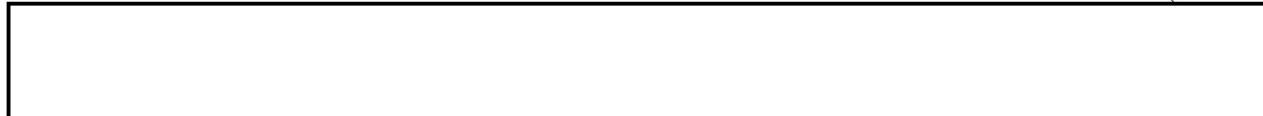
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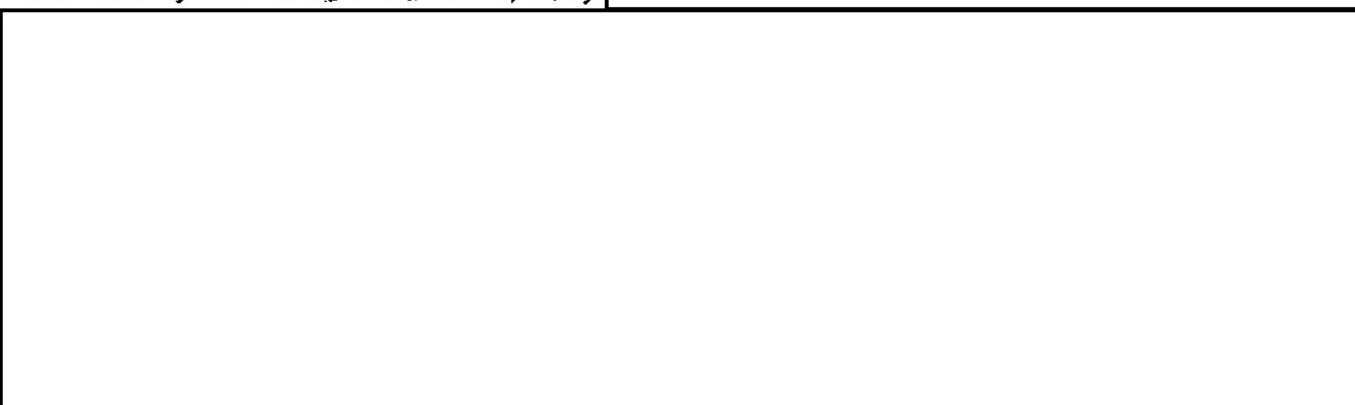
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[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT THAT ON DECEMBER
TWO LAST, AT ABOUT SEVEN A.M., [REDACTED]



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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED DRIVER AS GROGGY, APPEARING AS IF HE HAD JUST AWAKENED; APPEARED COMPLETELY SANE AND SOBER, HOWEVER. FURTHER DESCRIBED HIM AS BEING A BIG TALKER AND AS BEING A WMA, AGE FORTYFIVE TO FIFTY, ONE EIGHTY TO ONE NINETY LBS., FIVE FEET ELEVEN, BROWN GRAYING HAIR, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAIR WAS UNTIDY AS IF NOT COMBED SINCE SLEEPING.

[REDACTED] UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY FURTHER INFORMATION.
NO OTHER WITNESSES TO ABOVE INCIDENT [REDACTED] PRESENT
WHEREABOUTS OF TRUCK DRIVER UNKNOWN.

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PHOENIX AT PHOENIX ATTEMPT TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW DRIVER OF
ABOVE MENTIONED TRUCK REGARDING ANY KNOWLEDGE OF INSTANT CASE.

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NR 004 PX PLAIN

10:33PM NITEL 12-4-71 DLN

SUSP:

TO: BUTTE (164-26)

SALT LAKE CITY (164-24)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PHOENIX (164-100)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SALT LAKE CITY TEL TO PX AND SE DECEMBER THREE LAST.

FOR INFO BUTTE, RE TEL ADVISED AS FOLLOWS:

[redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT AS

FOLLOWS:

[redacted]

MAN DESCRIBED AS WMA, AGE [redacted] 5' 10" 185
FIVE FEET TEN, ONE EIGHTFIVE
LBS., BROWN CREW CUT HAIR, RUDDY COMPLEXION, [redacted]
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[REDACTED] ADVISED DECEMBER THREE INSTANT THAT ON
DECEMBER TWO LAST, AT ABOUT SEVEN A. M. [REDACTED]

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NO OTHER WITNESSES TO ABOVE INCIDENT [REDACTED] PRESENT
WHEREABOUTS OF TRUCK DRIVER UNKNOWN."

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ON INSTANT DATE, PHOENIX INVESTIGATION REFLECTED ARIZONA
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X- P/U TRUCK

LICENSE

WITH SEVENTYONE TAG

[REDACTED] IS ASSIGNED A NINETEEN SEVENTY CHEVROLET P/U TRUCK

BELONGING TO A [REDACTED]

IN

[REDACTED] ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE [REDACTED] HAVE MET WITH
NEGATIVE RESULTS.

ON INSTANT DATE, [REDACTED] CHIEF OF POLICE, [REDACTED]

STATED [REDACTED] HAS NOT BEEN SEEN IN THE [REDACTED] AREA FOR AT
LEAST EIGHTEEN MONTHS. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN
EMPLOYED IN THE PAST BY [REDACTED]
AREA.

FURTHER INQUIRIES INDICATE [REDACTED] IS PRESENTLY RESIDING
WITH A [REDACTED]

ON DECEMBER THREE LAST, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE FLAGSTAFF RA AT WHICH TIME HE
FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

11-25-71
ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE LAST, BETWEEN TWO AND THREE PM, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WERE DRIVING SOUTH ON HIGHWAY NINETY-
THREE [REDACTED] WHEN THEY OBSERVED

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TWO PARACHUTISTS LANDING AMONG TREES AND BOULDERS BETWEEN HIGHWAY NINETY-THREE AND FLATHEAD LAKE. [REDACTED] FURTHER DESCRIBED THIS LOCATION AS BEING APPROXIMATELY IN THE NORTH ONE-THIRD OF FLATHEAD LAKE ON HIGHWAY NINETY-THREE. THERE WERE POWER LINES ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY, TELEPHONE LINES ON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE HIGHWAY, WITH APPROXIMATELY A THIRTY PERCENT INCLINE FROM THE HIGHWAY TO THE LAKE.

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[REDACTED] INDICATED THE PARACHUTISTS LANDED IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THREE OR FOUR LOG CABIN-TYPE HOUSES IN A COVE ON THE LAKE.

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[REDACTED] STATED BOTH PARACHUTISTS WERE USING SPORTING-TYPE PARACHUTES WHICH WERE RED, WHITE, AND POSSIBLY BLUE IN COLOR. ONLY ONE OF THE PARACHUTISTS WAS CLOSELY OBSERVED AND IT WAS DETERMINED HE WAS WEARING A COLORED CRASH HELMET, GOGGLES, AND A GREENISH-BLUE ALL WEATHER OUTFIT.

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[REDACTED] FELT THIS INCIDENT MIGHT POSSIBLY BE RELATED TO CAPTIONED MATTER IN VIEW OF THE FACT THE PARACHUTISTS HAD MADE THEIR JUMP IN EXTREMELY POOR WEATHER CONSISTING OF A LOW CLOUD COVER, HIGH WINDS, AND INTERMITTENT SNOW. IT WAS HIS BELIEF THAT EXPERIENCED SKY DIVERS WOULD NEVER MADE A JUMP IN SUCH BAD WEATHER.
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IN AS MUCH AS THIS INCIDENT TOOK PLACE IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO
[REDACTED], SUPPOSEDLY THE PRESENT RESIDENCE OF [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] IT IS FELT FURTHER INVESTIGATION CONCERNING THE ABOVE
DESCRIBED PARACHUTE JUMP SHOULD BE CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH
THE INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

BUTTE, AT [REDACTED] WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] REGARDING

ANY KNOWLEDGE OF CAPTIONED MATTER. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE
INVESTIGATION IN AN EFFORT TO SECURE FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING
THE PARACHUTE JUMP MADE BY THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TWO MEN ON THE
AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFIVE LAST.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
Northwest Airlines Flight 305,
Portland to Seattle,
11/24/71
CAA - HI JACKING
OO: Seattle

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Re telephone call from ASAC BIBLER, 11/29/71

Referenced phone call advised [redacted] suggested as possible subject in this matter. Check with COP RALPH BENEFIEL who knows [redacted] verywell at [redacted] reflected that he does not resemble the composite photograph of the hijacker primarily because he is [redacted]. A photograph of [redacted] was obtained from [redacted] Co. SO BENEFIEL also advised that [redacted] and from what he has heard is not [redacted] He advised he saw him about [redacted] but has not seen him since then.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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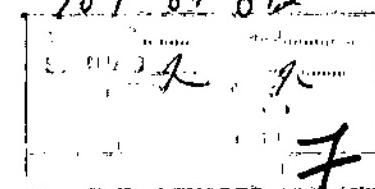
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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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Northwest Airlines Flight 305,
Portland to Seattle,
11/24/71
CAA - HI JACKING
OO: Seattle

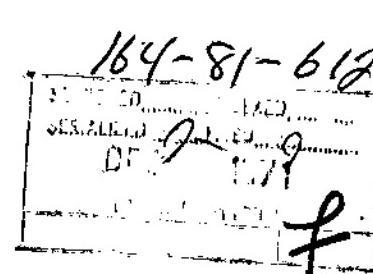
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NR 004 PD PLAIN
URGENT 12-3-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) IP

aka

[redacted]

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.

RE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS ON PLANE USING NAME [redacted]

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[redacted] INTERVIEWED DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTYONE AND
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URGENT 12-3-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE, BUFILE 164-2111.

RE PREVIOUS COMMUNICATIONS ON PLANE USING NAME [redacted]

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[redacted] INTERVIEWED DECEMBER ONE, SEVENTYONE AND
FURNISHED FOLLOWING:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

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FROM : SPC [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka DAN COOPER;
N.W. Airlines Flight #305,
Portland to Seattle,
11/24/71
CAA - Hijacking; Extortion
OO: Seattle

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At 7:15 PM, 12/3/71, [REDACTED]
Sheriff's Office, phone [REDACTED] advised writer by telephone
that he had been advised by one [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] that UNSUB may be one [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] thinks [REDACTED] looks just like the composite picture.
[REDACTED] is described as 5'10", 160 pounds, dark hair, and wears
dark glasses. He [REDACTED]

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[redacted] states this is all the information he received from [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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Date: 12/3/71

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DAILY TELETYPE
 UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.
 OO: SE.

INVESTIGATION BY SEATTLE TODAY CONSISTED OF
 INTERVIEWING VARIOUS PERSONS IN GENERAL VICINITY OF SEARCH
 AREA, WHO INDICATED THEY MAY HAVE SEEN OR OBSERVED SOMETHING
 CONNECTED WITH THE CASE. NOTHING OF SUBSTANCE DEVELOPED.
 SEATTLE CONTINUING TO CHECK OUT QUOTE LOOK ALIKES ENQUOTE.

PORLAND ADVISES TWO D.B. COOPER LETTERS RECEIVED
 IN PORTLAND; BOTH LETTERS AND ENVELOPES BEING FORWARDED TO
 FBI LABORATORY. OTHER INVESTIGATION BY PORTLAND RELATING
 TO LOOK ALIKES CONDUCTED, WITH NO POSITIVE RESULTS.

IN REGARD TO PHILADELPHIA TELETYPE TODAY, WHICH
 MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF CONCEALMENT BEHIND INSPECTION
 PANELS IN FUSELAGE OF AIRCRAFT, LAS VEGAS ADVISED TODAY
 THAT BOTH OF THESE PANELS AND THE AREAS BEHIND THEM WERE
 INSPECTED WHILE PLANE WAS ON GROUND AT RENO, NEVADA.
 NOTHING WAS FOUND.

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SACRAMENTO HAS ARRANGED FOR AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY
OF TWENTY MILE WIDE STRIP ALONG ENTIRE FLIGHT PATH.
MAP OF FLIGHT PATH HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO SACRAMENTO AS
PREPARED BY MC CHORD AFB, SEATTLE.

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Date: 12/3/71

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) DAILY TELETYPE
UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.
OO: SE.

INVESTIGATION BY SEATTLE TODAY CONSISTED OF
INTERVIEWING VARIOUS PERSONS IN GENERAL VICINITY OF SEARCH
AREA, WHO INDICATED THEY MAY HAVE SEEN OR OBSERVED SOMETHING
CONNECTED WITH THE CASE. NOTHING OF SUBSTANCE DEVELOPED.
SEATTLE CONTINUING TO CHECK OUT QUOTE LOOK ALIKES ENQUOTE.

PORTLAND ADVISES TWO D.B. COOPER LETTERS RECEIVED
IN PORTLAND; BOTH LETTERS AND ENVELOPES BEING FORWARDED TO
FBI LABORATORY. OTHER INVESTIGATION BY PORTLAND RELATING
TO LOOK ALIKES CONDUCTED, WITH NO POSITIVE RESULTS.

IN REGARD TO PHILADELPHIA TELETYPE TODAY, WHICH
MENTIONED POSSIBILITY OF CONCEALMENT BEHIND INSPECTION
PANELS IN FUSELAGE OF AIRCRAFT, LAS VEGAS ADVISED TODAY
THAT BOTH OF THESE PANELS AND THE AREAS BEHIND THEM WERE
INSPECTED WHILE PLANE WAS ON GROUND AT RENO, NEVADA.
NOTHING WAS FOUND.

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Memorandum

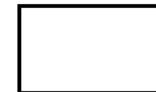
TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/2/71

FROM : SA THOMAS J. MANNING

SUBJECT: UNSUB;

Northwest Airlines Flight 305
Seattle to Portland 11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING
OO: Seattle

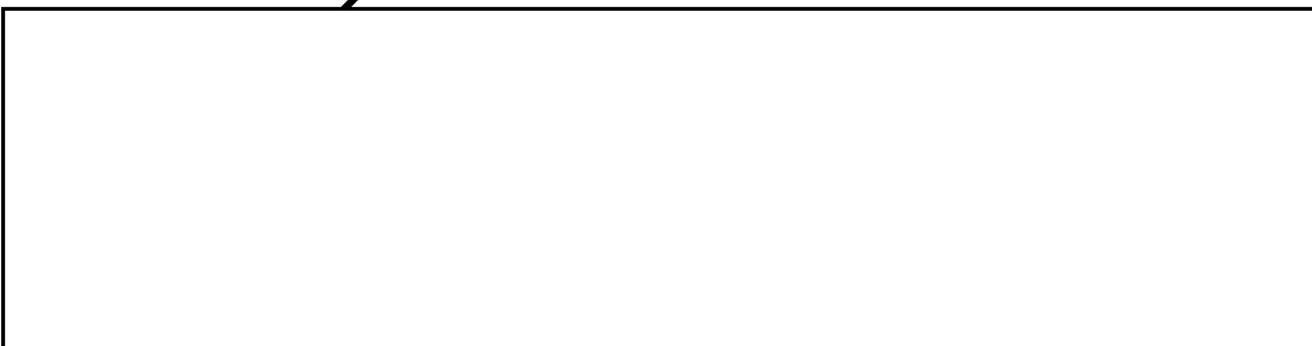


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Seeb J.

Attached to this communication are photographs of individuals who have been suggested as possible suspects in captioned matter. These suggestions have come from members of law enforcement agencies, in the
Clark and Cowlitz County, Washington areas.

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If deemed feasible above photographs particularly that of
[redacted] should be shown to witnesses who saw hijacker.

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2:30 PM URGERT 12-4-71 GEO

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

UNSUB, AKA D. B. COOPER, HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT
THREE ZERO FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE; CAA- HIJACKING;
EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

REURTEL CAL FROM SA [REDACTED] TO PORTLAND THIS DATE.

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FACSIMILE PHOTO OF [REDACTED] DISPLAYED TO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORT, INSTANT DATE.

[REDACTED] STATED DUE TO POOR QUALITY OF FACSIMILE REPRODUCTION,
HE COULD NOT EFFECT ANY POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION, AND REITERATED
PRIOR POSITION THAT HE BELIEVES ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPHS NECESSARY
FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES.

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11:05 PM URGENT 12-4-71 ALH

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

SEATTLE (164-81)

MINNEAPOLIS

PORTLAND

FROM BUTTE (164-26)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE,CAA -
HIJACKING, EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT [REDACTED] AKA.

RE BUTTE TEL BUREAU DECEMBER THREE LAST AND SEATTLE TELEPHONE
CALL BUTTE DECEMBER FOUR, INSTANT.

[REDACTED] ON OUTSKIRTS

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[REDACTED] CLOSE NEIGHBOR, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CLOSED ONE P.M. UNTIL MONDAY NEXT.

[REDACTED] RESIDES [REDACTED] APARTMENT COMPLEX. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] LICENSE PLATE PARKED OUTSIDE TODAY. TWO NEIGHBORS, BOTH

[REDACTED] NOT AVAILABLE. REMAINING NEIGHBOR

[REDACTED] BELIEVED RELIABLE AND IN-
TERVIEWED. CASUALLY KNOWS [REDACTED] BUT CANNOT DEFINITELY STATE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NIGHT OF HIJACKING.

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DUE TO REPUTATION OF [REDACTED] DISCREET EFFORTS BEING
MADE TO IDENTIFY AND ESTABLISH RELIABILITY [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
PD RECORDS SHOW ONLY TRAFFIC CITATION [REDACTED]

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NO RECORD [REDACTED] BUTTE INDICES.

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INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

SUSPECT CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS SINCE REPORTEDLY
CARRIES GUN.

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10:30PM NITEL 12-4-71 NEH

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-63)

FROM SAC, ST. LOUIS (164-81)P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALL OFFICES DATED NOVEMBER TWENTYNINE SEVENTY

ONE.

RE FNU [REDACTED] - SUSPECT

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MISSOURI STATE HIGHWAY PATROL ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT INDIVIDU
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RESEMBLING ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB THIS MATTER OBSERVED AT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DECEMBER THREE, LAST.

[REDACTED]

ADVISED INSTANT DATE THAT AT TWO FIFTY PM DECEMBER THREE LAST

[REDACTED]

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IDENTIFIED AS [redacted]

[redacted] 5' 8¹/₂"
UNIDENTIFIED MALE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: WHITE MALE, FIVE FEET EIGHT-
NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED ¹⁷⁵ SEVENTYFIVE DASH ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY POUNDS,
MUSCULAR BUILD, [redacted] YEARS OF AGE, DARK BROWN THINING HAIR
WITH RECEIDING DARK BROWN HAIR AT TEMPLES. MAN WORE LARGE DARK BROWN
"HORN-RIMMED" GLASSES AND TAN SHIRT AND TROUSERS. UNIDENTIFIED MALE
HAD "LOPSIDED FACE" IN THAT FACE AND JAW SLANTED FROM MALES LEFT
TO RIGHT IN RELATION TO HIS NECK. [redacted] STATED MALE CLOSELY RESEM-

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BLED ARTIST'S CONCEPTION OF UNSUB AS DISPLAYED ON NBC TELEVISION
NEWS DECEMBER THREE, LAST. [redacted] DID NOT HEAR HEIGHT, WEIGHT, OR
AGE ON NBC NEWSCAST. UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE DESCRIBED AS WHITE FEMALE
FIVE FEET, ONE HUNDRED THIRTY FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, [redacted] YEARS
OF AGE, [redacted] FEMALE WORE
BLACK SLACKS, BLACK JACKET AND RED BLOUSE.

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SEVEN TWENTY DOLLARS BILLS RECEIVED BY [REDACTED]

DECEMBER THREE LAST. SERIAL NUMBERS AS FOLLOWS: K ZERO ZERO ZERO
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SIX NINE ZERO ZERO ONE; G ZERO TWO FOUR FIVE SEVEN EIGHT SIX EIGHT B;

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G ONE FOUR EIGHT ZERO FIVE ONE SEVEN A; H TWO SEVEN NINE THREE EIGHT
0 0 6 0 ZERO ZERO SIX ZERO A; E SIX THREE NINE ONE NINE EIGHT FIVE SIX A;
8 0 9 5 2 7 3 9 6 7 8 4
EIGHT ZERO NINE FIVE TWO SEVEN THREE NINE SIX A; G SEVEN EIGHT FOUR
7 6 1 9 1 SEVEN SIX ONE NINE ONE A SERIES NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE A. SERIES NOT
AVAILABLE FOR FIRST SIX BILLS. BILLS DEPOSITED WARRENTON BANK, INSTANT
DATE. BANK CLOSED TO RE-OPEN DECEMBER SIX NEXT.

INDICES NEGATIVE RE [REDACTED]

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BILL ABOVE.

OMAHA AT LINCOLN, NEB, AND SEATTLE, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY,
UNIDENTIFIED MALE THROUGH RECORDS DMV AND CONDUCT APPROPRIATE
INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB.

ST. LOUIS AT WARRENTON, MO WILL CONTACT WARRENTON BANK AND OBTAIN
SERIES NUMBERS FOR FIRST SIX BILLS.

CONSIDER UNSUB ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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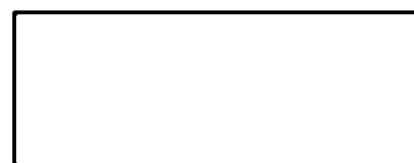
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Via NITEL

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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UNSUB: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO
 SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION,
 OO: SEATTLE.

RE: [redacted]

[redacted] HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND PHOTOGRAPHED IN
 NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA. ALL OFFICES HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER
 INVESTIGATION CONCERNING [redacted] UNTIL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE BEEN
 SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

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5:03 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

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 NORFOLK
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FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA -
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

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4:43 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

TO NEWARK
 NEW YORK
 NORFOLK
 WFO

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA -
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: [redacted]

[redacted] HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND PHOTOGRAPHED IN NEWPORT
NEWS, VIRGINIA. ALL OFFICES HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER INVESTIGATION
CONCERNING [redacted] UNTIL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

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5:17 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

TO NEWARK

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FROM SEATTLE (164-81) IP

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA -
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: [redacted]

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[redacted] HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND PHOTOGRAPHED IN NEWPORT
NEWS, VIRGINIA. ALL OFFICES HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER INVESTIGATION
CONCERNING [redacted] UNTIL PHOTOGRAPHS HAVE BEEN SHOWN TO WITNESSES.

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7:45PM URGENT 12-4-71 DJP

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

NEW YORK (164-627)

NORFOLK (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

WFO (164-169)

FROM NEWARK (164-196) (IP)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER
THREE HUNDRED FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, ELEVEN TWENTY-FOUR,
SEVENTY ONE. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE NORFOLK TELETYPE TO BUREAU TWELVE THREE, SEVENTY ONE
AND WFO TELETYPE TO BUREAU TWELVE THREE, SEVENTY ONE.

REINTERVIEWED TWELVE THREE, LAST, AND ADVISED THAT INDIVIDUAL
HE SPOKE TO RELATIVE TO [redacted]

[redacted] SPOKE WITH A [redacted] ACCENT WHICH COULD
NOT BE CONSTRUED AS [redacted]

FOR INFORMATION OF WFO INS FILES, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY,
NOT AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW UNTIL TWELVE SIX, NEXT.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING NEWARK.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA JOHN L KETCHAM (P)

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUFILE 164-2111

cc-Sub N.

On 12/4/71 [redacted]
called to suggest that there might be some possibility that a
radio receiver was in the hijacker's attache case. This could be
used in conjunction with a low frequency transmitter on the
ground - to know when to drop. He said this would put one within
a 3 mile radius from a 10,000 foot level jump on target.

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However, he noted too, that any transisterized receiver in use
should be reflected in the plane instruments - so pilot should be
able to tell that such was the case (transceiver in use)

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4:31 PM URGENT 12-5-71 RMB

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)
SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)(P)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, ELEVEN TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION.
OO: SEATTLE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO DIRECTOR, BT, MP, AND PD, TWELVE FOUR SEVENTYONE.

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

ON TWELVE FIVE INSTANT, [redacted] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT ADVISED [redacted] PHOTOS BEAR RESEMBLANCE TO UNSUB, HOWEVER NOT BELIEVED IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. DISSIMILARITIES IN HAIRLINE AND MOUTH NOTED BY [redacted]

ON SAME DATE, [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED [redacted] NOSE, LIPS AND EARS TO BIG TO BE HIJACKER.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/5/71

FROM : S.A. [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUFILE 164-2111
RE suspect [redacted]

On 12/5/71, S.A. [redacted] of the Little Rock Division, b6
telephonically advised that stewardess [redacted] was b7C
shown a photograph of suspect [redacted] advised that [redacted]
is not identical to the hijacker.

S.A. [redacted] was instructed to furnish Seattle and the Bureauu b6
with a teletype containing results of investigation. b7C

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4:22PM NITEL 12/5/71 EJP

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
SEATTLE (164-81)
MINNEAPOLIS (164-73)
FROM: LITTLE ROCK (164-22)

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE. BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR-TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE MINNEAPOLIS TEL THIS DATE RE SUSPECT [REDACTED]
NORTHWEST AIRLINES STEWARDESS [REDACTED] TEMPORARILY
RESIDING [REDACTED], UNTIL
TUESDAY NEXT, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT PHOTOS [REDACTED] NOT IDENT WITH
HIJACKER.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI

LITTLE ROCK

SEATTLE 164-81

FROM MINNEAPOLIS 164-73 1P

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UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE.

CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE SEATTLE TEL TO MINNEAPOLIS TWELVE THREE LAST AND CLEVELAND TEL TO BUREAU TWELVE THREE LAST.

FOR INFO LITTLE ROCK, RETELS SET FORTH [redacted] AS POSSIBLE SUSPECT. BUREAU HAS REQUESTED THAT PHOTOS OF [redacted] BE DISPLAYED TO WITNESSES BEFORE OTHER INVESTIGATION.

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INVESTIGATION MINNEAPOLIS REFLECTS STEWARDESSES [redacted]

[redacted] NOT AVAILABLE TWELVE FOUR LAST. [redacted]

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[redacted] UNABLE TO IDENTIFY [redacted] AS SUBJECT. ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE TO EXHIBIT PHOTOS TO [redacted] TODAY.

LITTLE ROCK WILL CONTACT [redacted]

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PHONE [redacted]

[redacted] AND DISPLAY FACSIMILE PHOTOS WHICH FOLLOW.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (164-55) (P)

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;
Northwest Airlines Flight 305,
11/24/71,
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
(OO:SE)
(BUFILE 164-2111)

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Re Cincinnati tel, 12/1/71.

Re suspect [redacted]

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Enclosed herewith are three copies of photograph of [redacted]
which were taken in about [redacted] made from
a copy furnished by [redacted]

② - Seattle (Enc. 3) *enc received JM*
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NR 002 PD PLAIN

5:25 AM NITEL 12/5/71 SRC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

LOS ANGELES

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-
HIJACKING, EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

ON DECEMBER FIVE NINETEEN SEVENTYONE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OREGONIAN NEWSPAPER AT PORTLAND ADVISED
THAT HE HAD RECEIVED A CALL FROM AN UNIDENTIFIED MALE WHO
STATED THAT THE THREE MEN WHO PERPETRATED CAPTIONED MATTER
ARE NAMED [REDACTED]

AND THAT THEY COULD BE LOCATED AT EITHER [REDACTED]

, OR [REDACTED]

WHERE [REDACTED]

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THE CALLER STATED THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN COLLECTING A
REWARD FOR THIS INFORMATION AND WILL RECONTACT [redacted]
AFTER ARRESTS ARE MADE. THE CALLER STATED THAT [redacted]

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KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, AND SAN FRANSICO TELEPHONICALLY
ADVISED AND ARE CONDUCTING APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

PORTLAND WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [redacted] FOR
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS MADE BY CALLER. KANSAS CITY, SAN FRANCISCO
AND LOS ANGELES CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND
REPORT RESULTS TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND.

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NR 002 PD PLAIN

5:25 AM NITEL 12/5/71 SRC

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS CITY

LOS ANGELES

SAN FRANCISCO

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
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ARE NAMED [REDACTED]

AND THAT THEY COULD BE LOCATED AT EITHER [REDACTED]

, OR [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHERE [REDACTED]

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THE CALLER STATED THAT HE IS INTERESTED IN COLLECTING A
REWARD FOR THIS INFORMATION AND WILL RECONTACT [redacted]
AFTER ARRESTS ARE MADE. THE CALLER STATED THAT [redacted]
[redacted]

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KANSAS CITY, LOS ANGELES, AND SAN FRANCISCO TELEPHONICALLY
ADVISED AND ARE CONDUCTING APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

PORTLAND WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [redacted] FOR
ADDITIONAL CONTACTS MADE BY CALLER. KANSAS CITY, SAN FRANCISCO
AND LOS ANGELES CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND
REPORT RESULTS TO SEATTLE AND PORTLAND.

END

SWD FBI SEATTLE CLR

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NR001 KC PLAIN

7:35AM NITEL 12-5-71 KWC

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM KANSAS CITY (164-80)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-
HIJACKING, EXTORTION. OO:SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELECALL TO KANSAS CITY INSTANT DATE AND PORTLAND
TELETYPE INSTANT DATE.

REVIEW OF CITY DIRECTORIES FOR GREATER KANSAS CITY AREA WAS
NEGATIVE FOR ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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KANSAS CITY INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING [REDACTED]

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KANSAS CITY INDICES REFLECT A [REDACTED] WHO IS REFERENCED IN
A ITSMV CASE. [REDACTED] IS CURRENTLY [REDACTED] YEARS OLD.

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KANSAS CITY INDICES REVEALED FOURTEEN [REDACTED] AT PORTLAND

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REQUEST KANSAS CITY IS SENDING FOLLOWING PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF

[REDACTED] WHOSE INDICES CARD
REFLECTED HE HAD BEEN [REDACTED] KANSAS CITY HAD
ITSMV CASE IN [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE
MALE, BORN [REDACTED]
FIVE FEET EIGHT, ONE SIXTY LBS., BROWN EYES, BROWN HAIR, DARK
COMPLEXION WITH HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FROM [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] DIRECTORY LISTED FIVE [REDACTED] NONE OF WHOM HAD
ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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S CITY WILL CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE
[REDACTED]

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NR001 KC PLAIN

7:35AM NTEL 12-5-71 KWC

TO PORTLAND (164-41)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM KANSAS CITY (164-80)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-
HIJACKING, EXTORTION. OO:SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELECALL TO KANSAS CITY INSTANT DATE AND PORTLAND
TELETYPE INSTANT DATE.

REVIEW OF CITY DIRECTORIES FOR GREATER KANSAS CITY AREA WAS
NEGATIVE FOR ADDRESS OF [redacted]

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KANSAS CITY INDICES NEGATIVE REGARDING [redacted]

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KANSAS CITY INDICES REFLECT A [redacted] WHO IS REFERENCED IN
A ITSMV CASE. [redacted] IS CURRENTLY [redacted] YEARS OLD.

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REQUEST KANSAS CITY IS SENDING FOLLOWING PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF

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MALE, BORN [redacted]

FIVE FEET EIGHT, ONE SIXTY LBS., BROWN EYES, BROWN HAIR, DARK
COMPLEXION WITH HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION FROM [redacted]

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[REDACTED] DIRECTORY LISTED FIVE [REDACTED] NONE OF WHOM HAD

ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

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S CITY WILL CONDUCT FURTHER INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE

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MR 004 SF PLAINTEXT

8/05PM 12-5-71 MXG NITEL

PM SEATTLE (164-81)

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LOS ANGELES

PORTRLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING,
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

RE PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

INVESTIGATION THIS DATE DETERMINED ADDRESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS BEEN COOPERATIVE IN THE PAST WITH THIS BUREAU.

HE ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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VIEW THIS DATE.

CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE AT [REDACTED] COULD NOT FURNISH
INFO REGARDING [REDACTED]

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IF ANY, ON THIS DATE. THIS SOURCE WILL ENDEAVOR TO DO SO MONDAY,
TWELVE SIX, NEXT.

SAN FRANCISCO INDICES REVEALED THE FOLLOWING INFO: (ONE)

[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NEGRO. DOB [REDACTED] SNRA NUMBER

[REDACTED]

PRESENT STATUS NOT AVAILABLE THIS DATE.

(TWO) [REDACTED] SF FILE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AKA [REDACTED] (NUMEROUR OTHER ALIAS) [REDACTED] WAS

[REDACTED]

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DESCRIBED: WHITE, DOB [REDACTED]

FIVE TEN, TWO ZERO TWO LBS., BROWN HAIR BALDING TO

TOP MIDDLE, EYES [REDACTED] COMPLEXION OLIVE. PARENTS ARE [REDACTED]

(THREE) SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

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CAPTIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARRESTED [REDACTED]

POLICE

DEPARTMENT, [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION AT SAN FRANCISCO CONTINUING.

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MR 004 SF PLAINTEXT

8/05PM 12-5-71 MXG NITEL

PM SEATTLE (164-81)

KANSAS

LOS ANGELES

PORTLAND (164-41)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING,
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

RE PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO SAN FRANCISCO THIS DATE.

INVESTIGATION THIS DATE DETERMINED ADDRESS [REDACTED]

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE AT [REDACTED] COULD NOT FURNISH
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[REDACTED] SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEGRO. DOB [REDACTED] SNRA NUMBER

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PRESENT STATUS NOT AVAILABLE THIS DATE.

(TWO) [REDACTED] SF FILE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AKA [REDACTED] (NUMEROUR OTHER ALIAS) [REDACTED] WAS

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[REDACTED]

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DESCRIBED: WHITE, DOB [REDACTED]

FIVE TEN, TWO ZERO TWO LBS., BROWN HAIR BALDING TO
TOP MIDDLE, EYES [REDACTED] COMPLEXION OLIVE. PARENTS ARE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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(THREE) SAN FRANCISCO FILE [REDACTED]

CAPTIONED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARRESTED [REDACTED] POLICE

DEPARTMENT, [REDACTED]

INVESTIGATION AT SAN FRANCISCO CONTINUING.

END

DCA.....FBI SE CLR

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164 - 81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
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RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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On 11/29/71, [redacted] advised she had a record
of suspect, a review of which furnished the following
descriptive information:

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NAME: [redacted]

ADDRESS: [redacted]

SSAN: [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

POB: [redacted]

EDUC: [redacted]

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MILITARY: [redacted]

RELATIVES: [redacted]

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A review of the file revealed further that suspect [redacted]

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RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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[redacted] On 11/30/71, [redacted]

[redacted], advised she [redacted]

She further advised that on Wednesday, 11/24/71, the day of the captioned hijacking, she [redacted]

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She further advised that on 11/24/71, she [redacted]

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[redacted] had no current snapshot [redacted]

[redacted] taken in California. The photo was viewed by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] and showed little or no resemblance of suspect [redacted] to that of the artist's drawing of the hijacker. [redacted] did furnish a newspaper clipping [redacted] would allow the FBI to keep, showing a partial facial view of [redacted] this clipping is being made a part of this file.

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In view of the lack of resemblance of [redacted] to the artist's drawing of the hijacker, and also due to the accountability of his whereabouts during the time of the hijacking, no further investigation regarding this suspect is being conducted.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
BUFILE 164-2111

Sub F
Unsub driving
car Wash Lic
[redacted]

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On instant date [redacted] King County Police Department, telephonically contacted this office. [redacted] advised that Washington State Patrol advised her that a man named [redacted] stated that he saw a man who looked like unsub at Smitties Pancake House, North Bend, Wn. Man was seen driving a Brown Ford Galaxie, license [redacted] East bound on Hwy 90.

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[redacted] Only phone number is known for [redacted]
KCPD did not know [redacted] address.

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Seattle indices negative.

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Addendum: License [redacted] registered to [redacted]
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE
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Seattle indices negative.

GJW:gjw
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Addendum: License [redacted] registered to [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
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CC- COURSE
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WITNESSES

SA [redacted] called from Philadelphia today. He is the one doing the interviews with [redacted]. So far, all the pictures shown to her, including [redacted] have been non-idents. They are sending us a teletype but he wanted us to know that and he also wanted us to know [redacted] wants to be thoroughly re-interviewed since she feels she can now recall things which she did not furnish previously. They are going to do this in the morning.

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He said that she told him that the subject told her he wanted to take off with the ladder down, the gear down and "we'll be flying with 15 degrees." She said the pilot told her to tell him that they could not take off with the ladder down and he muttered, "Yes you can, but that's alright, we can lower it later."

[redacted] told us he thought this was significant since this would indicate the subject knew a lot about airplanes, perhaps that he might have worked on the 727 at one time. He also thought it was significant that "we'll be flying with 15 degrees" since this is pilot talk, meaning 15 degrees of flaps. I asked him if [redacted] mentioned whether or not the subject gave instructions as to the course to fly. He said that the subject did not, that he did not give any headings, he did not outline any course, but simply said to take him to Mexico.

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They will be reinterviewing her tomorrow and furnish a teletype.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 12/6/71

EARL J. COSSEY, 349 North 101st, Seattle, advised that the pilot chutes on both of the back pack parachutes which were furnished to the hijacker on 11/24/71, were white in color. He stated that also the back pack chute which was missing from the aircraft upon its arrival at Reno, Nevada, was white in color.

Concerning the chest pack parachutes, he stated that these parachutes are hand deployed and do not contain pilot chutes. The chest pack chute which was sewn up as a practice chute and which was missing from the airplane was also white in color.

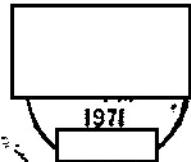
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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DATE: 12/1/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

[redacted]

X-Sources
On instant date, 11:40pm, [redacted]
[redacted], phone [redacted] telephonically advised that he and
[redacted] just viewed the photo of the hijacker on TV and that he
strongly resembled [redacted]

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[redacted] then advised that [redacted]

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years but said the photo was a strong lookalike to [redacted]

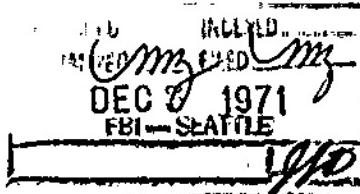
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] She provided the following description:

DOB [redacted]
HEIGHT 5'10"- 5'11"
WEIGHT 165 pounds
Black Hair
BROWN EYES
OLIVE COMPLEXION
THIN BUILD

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Portland

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Dear Sir:

12-1-71

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My wife and I agreed I should send you this. It might be as wild a guess as the plot itself but here I go.

I looked at the composite in the paper of your hijacker and I said "I know him, but from where ??". Today I remembered who I thought reminded me of the photo.

In the years

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who resembles your description a good deal. He was quite familiar with

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I dont know anything more about
this man and it might just be b6
a wild goose chase, but you might b7C
want to check b7D
record and fingerprints if you think
it might do any good.

Sincerely

You can contact
me at ↓ if necessary

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~~or word~~
~~or mailing address~~ No Phone

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spend a good deal of time.)

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FBI description of hijacker given

This drawing below of the hijacker was made by FBI artists during interviews with witnesses, primarily the aircraft crew. If a witness says of the drawing, "His lips look too thin," then changes are made.

Following is a word description of the hijacker. Special FBI agent Tom Manning said today he is particularly anxious to distribute picture and description in The Daily News' circulation area.

Race: White

Sex: Male

Age: Mid 40s

Height: 5' 10" to 6'

Weight: 170 to 180 pounds

Build: Average to well built

Complexion: Olive, Latin appearance, medium smooth

Hair: Dark brown or black, normal style, parted on left, combed back. Sideburns, low ear level

Eyes: Possibly brown. During latter part of flight put on dark,

wrap-around sunglasses with dark rims

Voice: Low, spoke intelligently; no particular accent, possibly from Midwest section of the U.S.

Characteristic: Heavy smoker of Raleigh filter tip cigarettes

Wearing Apparel: Black or brown suit; white shirt; narrow black tie; black dress suit; black rain-type overcoat or dark top coat; dark briefcase or attache case; carried paper bag 4"x12"x14"; brown shoes



Composite drawing of hijacker

have been hard to find.
Mrs.: He still is.

• **QUICK CHANGE**
Builder: This is just the house for you sir -- Tudor style.

Prospective buyer: Oh, I don't care for the Tudor style very much.

Builder: We can soon alter that for you, sir. Frank, bring your paint remover and take them oak beams off the ceiling. —Quote.

Port Calendar

SHIPS IN PORT

Japan Juniper, Port of Longview, Japanese ship loading logs for Japan.

Hong Kong Mail, Port of Longview, American ship discharging general cargo from Japan and Hong Kong.

Araa, Port of Longview, ship loading paper for the Persian Gulf.

Misi Lagoona, Port of Longview, Liberian ship discharging lumber from Colombia.

Feramore, Port of Longview, Norwegian ship discharging general cargo from Hong Kong.

Shahjehan Jayanti, Port of Longview, Indian ship loading grain for India.

SCHEDULED ARRIVALS

Tonight

Golden Ocean, Port of Longview, ship to discharge plywood and general cargo from Taiwan and Singapore.

Tuesday

Stove Tradition, Port of Kalama, German ship to load grain for Japan.

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ning to make the scene in Cathlamet with the help of many volunteer Santa Claus helpers.

The Homemaker's Council will open the season's activities with its 'Kris Kringle event, Saturday and Sunday in the Skamokawa Grange Hall. Home-decorating ideas will be featured.

At 2 p.m. Dec. 11 the annual Children's Christmas program will be on stage at the old high school gym. The original production, "You are There Toyland Dec. 24, 1971," was written produced and will be presented by Cathlamet Little Theatre members.

The audience may not recognize the actors since they will be costumed as various favorite toys and storybook characters. After the 45-minute production Santa Claus himself, as ever was, will hand out toys and treats to the youngsters. The Girl Scout Cadettes will also lend a helping hand for this show. Children of all ages are invited.

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Date: 11/30/71

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FROM SEATTLE TO PORTLAND
11/24/71
HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for Seattle are two photographs of [redacted] no copies of which are being retained at Las Vegas and two photographs of [redacted] obtained from the Las Vegas Police Department.

[redacted] who advised her true legal name is [redacted] residing at [redacted]

[redacted] advised on 11/29/71, that she strongly believed the artist's conception of the unknown hijacker, witnessed on the "Today Show" on N.B.C.. strongly resembles [redacted]

[redacted] stated she was not paying particular attention to the program; had a glimpse only of the photograph but was attracted to the mouth of the artist's conception as well as the ears and general facial characteristics.

[redacted] stated that [redacted]

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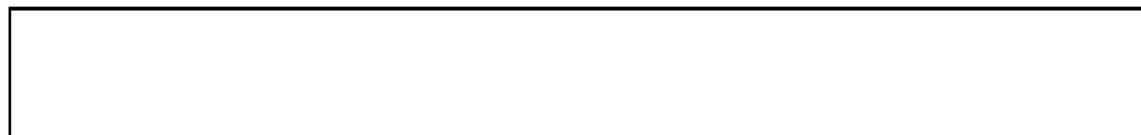
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LV 164-60



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of [redacted] furnished the following physical description

LV 164-60

Race: White
Sex: Male
Height: 6'
Weight: 180 pounds
Build: Medium (good physical condition)
Hair: [redacted] or brown
and starting to turn gray
Eyes: [redacted]
Complexion: Medium to sallow
Voice: [redacted]
Scars and marks: [redacted]

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✓ Immediate relative:

[redacted]

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[redacted] Las Vegas Police
Department, advised on 11/29/71, their file [redacted] dis-
closed the following:

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Name:

[redacted]

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Sex: Male
Race: White
Date of Birth: [redacted]
Place of Birth: [redacted]
Height: 6'
Weight: 190 pounds
Build: Medium
Hair: Brown
Eyes: [redacted]

LV 164-60

Complexion:
Scars:

Education:
Occupation:

SSAN:
Nearest relative:

Arrests:

He had no prior FBI or current fingerprint record
at that time and [redacted]

In view of the subsequent discrepancies in [redacted]
age, hair and complexion, compared with that supplied by
witnesses the foregoing is being furnished to Seattle for
information only at present.

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11/30/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, SEATTLE
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

UNSUB, aka
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT
FROM SEATTLE TO PORTLAND
11/24/71
HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Enclosed for Seattle are two photographs of [redacted] no copies of which are being retained at Las Vegas and two photographs of [redacted] obtained from the Las Vegas Police Department.

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[redacted] who advised her true legal name is [redacted] residing at [redacted]

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[redacted] advised on 11/29/71, that she strongly believed the artist's conception of the unknown hijacker, witnessed on the "Today Show" on N.B.C.. strongly resembles [redacted]

[redacted] stated she was not paying particular attention to the program; had a glimpse only of the photograph but was attracted to the mouth of the artist's conception as well as the ears and general facial characteristics.

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[redacted] stated that [redacted]

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② - Seattle (Enc.4)
1 - Las Vegas
HEH:jr
(3)

164-81-638
JW JW

JW
DB Cooper-3125

LV 164-60



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of [redacted]

LV 164-60

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and starting to turn gray
[redacted]
Eyes:
Complexion: Medium to sallow
Voice:
Scars and marks:

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Immediate relative:

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

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closed the following:

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[redacted]

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Date of Birth: [redacted]
Place of Birth: [redacted]
Height: 6'
Weight: 190 pounds
Build: Medium
Hair: Brown
Eyes: [redacted]

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b7C

LV 164-60

Complexion:

Scars:

Education:

Occupation:

SSAN:

Nearest relative:

Arrests:

He had no prior FBI or current fingerprint record
at that time and [redacted]

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In view of the subsequent discrepancies in [redacted]
age, hair and complexion, compared with that supplied by
witnesses the foregoing is being furnished to Seattle for
information only at present.

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12/2/71

PLAIN

TELETYPE

URGENT

TO : SAC, SALT LAKE CITY
FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26)



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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWO FOUR LAST. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO:
SEATTLE.

REURTEL, DECEMBER ONE LAST.
RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

[redacted] IS ONLY [redacted]

FAMILY LOCATED IN [redacted] SHE DOES NOT KNOW
[redacted] CITY UTILITY
RECORDS DO NOT LIST ANOTHER [redacted] BY THAT SPELLING.

SALT LAKE CITY, ADVISE BUTTE RESULTS OF ATTEMPTED
CONTACT WITH [redacted] AND ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE FROM
[redacted] PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF [redacted] AND IF LAST
NAME OF [redacted] IS CORRECTLY SPELLED.

BUTTE, WILL HOLD IN ABEYANCE FURTHER CONTACT WITH
FAMILIES IN [redacted] WITH LAST NAME SPELLING OF [redacted]

AIR MAIL COPY TO SEATTLE.

① - Seattle (AM)
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DB Cooper-3129

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FBI

Date: 12/3/71

Transmit the following in _____

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
 FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (164-101)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES,
 FLIGHT 035, 11/24/71
 CAA - HIJACKING
 (OO:SEATTLE)
 Bufile 164-2111

Re Charlotte teletype to St. Louis and Seattle
 12/2/71.

IA 48
 Enclosed herewith for the assistance of Seattle
 are two photos of [redacted] FBI [redacted]
 taken [redacted] at U. S. Penitentiary, [redacted] which
 are a look-alike to the artist's conception of UNSUB which
 appeared in the 11/29/71 edition of The Charlotte Observer,
 Charlotte, N.C., as an Associated Press photo.

[redacted] FBI [redacted] currently is a
 Federal fugitive whose whereabouts are unknown. FBI,
 Charlotte, is OO in an investigation concerning him captioned
 [redacted] aka - FUGITIVE; ITSMV; PAROLE VIOLATOR;
 BOND DEFAULT," Bufile [redacted] Charlotte file [redacted] His
 FBI identification record dated [redacted] indicates he has
 traveled all over the United States including one [redacted]
 arrest by Sheriff's Office, [redacted], and one
 [redacted] arrest by SO, [redacted]

The following description of [redacted]
 has been developed during this fugitive investigation concerning
 him:

(2) Seattle (164-81) (Encs. 2) *rec'd*
 3 - Charlotte (2 - 164-101)

(1 - [redacted])

GBK:mjw
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164-81-643

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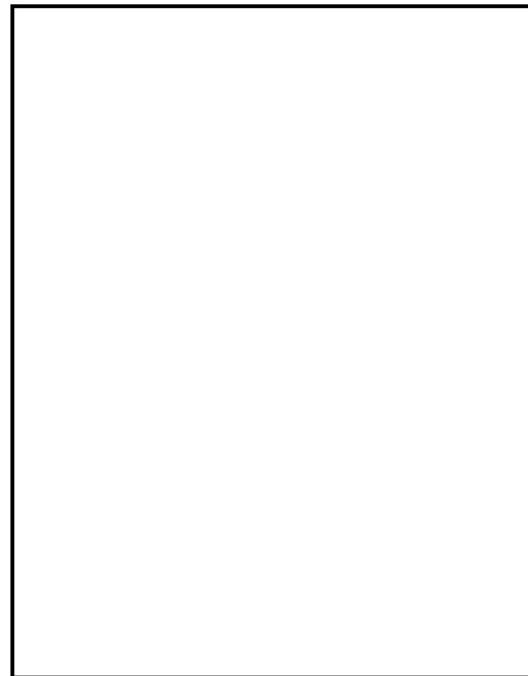
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Approved: *[Signature]* Sent _____ M Per _____
 Special Agent in Charge DB Cooper-3151

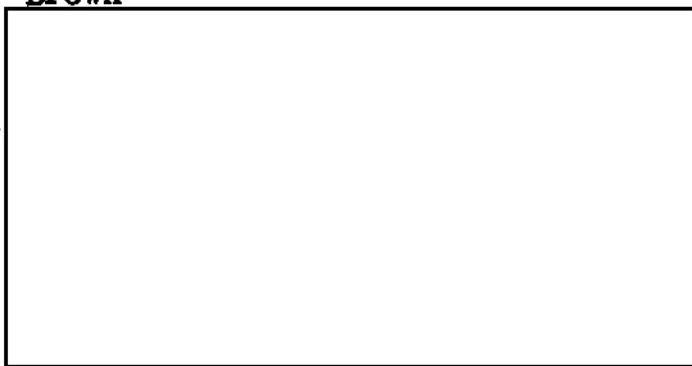
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Date:

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(Type in plaintext or code)Via _____
CE 164-101 (Priority)Name
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Race	White
Sex	Male
DOB	
POB	
Height	6'
Weight	160 lbs.
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Scars and marks	
Military Service	
FBI No.	
Social Security No.	
N.C. Operator's License No.	
Occupation	
Marital status	
Mother	



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Approved: _____ Sent: _____ M Per: _____
Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3152

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Date:

Transmit the following in _____
*(Type in plaintext or code)*Via _____
CE 164-101 *(Priority)*(Description continued)
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b7CLEAD:SEATTLEAT SEATTLE, WASHINGTONWill display enclosed photo of _____
to appropriate witnesses.b6
b7CARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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Approved: _____ Sent: _____ M Per: _____
Special Agent in Charge DB Cooper-3153

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Date: 12/6/71

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URGENT

Transmit the following in

TELETYPE

(Priority)

Via

TO: SAC, PORTLAND

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE
 ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY-FOUR, NINETEEN
 SEVENTYONE, CAA DASH HIJACKING: EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE: SUSPECT

INFORMATION RECEIVED BY SEATTLE THAT COMPOSITE DRAWING
 OF UNSUB RESEMBLES [REDACTED] WHO IS BELIEVED TO BE
 RESIDING IN THE [REDACTED] AREA AND RECEIVES MAIL
 THROUGH GENERAL DELIVERY. [REDACTED] REPORTEDLY WORKED FOR
 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN IN TROUBLE
 WITH THE PORTLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT IN CONNECTION WITH
 [REDACTED] HE IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE,
 AMERICAN, BORN [REDACTED]

PORLAND AT PORTLAND, DEVELOP BACKGROUND INFORMATION
 CONCERNING [REDACTED] AND ATTEMPT TO LOCATE PHOTOGRAPH AND
 ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS AT TIME OF CAPTIONED HIJACKING.

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DJS

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Approved:

Sent

Per *WMB*

Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3154

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Date: 12/2/71

Transmit the following in _____

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTELAIR MAIL

(Priority)

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
 FROM *for* SAC, SACRAMENTO (164-50)(P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; Northwest Airlines
 Flight 305, Portland to Seattle
 11/24/71
 CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION
 OO: Seattle

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(49) Re Seattle teletype to Sacramento, dated 12/1/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is one copy of California
 driver's license [REDACTED] bearing photograph of [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED] California driver's license [REDACTED] bearing
 photograph of [REDACTED] and California
 driver's license [REDACTED] bearing photograph of [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]

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AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

On 12/1/71, [REDACTED] Driver's License
 Section, California DMV, was requested to cause a search
 of their files regarding one [REDACTED]

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On 12/2/71, [REDACTED] advised:

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(2) - Seattle (Enc. 3) *me'd*
 2 - Los Angeles (Info)
 2 - Sacramento
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Can we eliminate without showing

Approved: _____

Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

SC 164-50

(1) California license [redacted] was issued
on [redacted] to one [redacted]

[redacted] California. [redacted]
is described as DOB [redacted] brown hair, brown eyes,
6', 170 pounds. This license expired on [redacted] and
has not been renewed to date.

(2) California driver's license [redacted]
was issued on [redacted] to [redacted]

[redacted] California. [redacted]
is described as DOB [redacted] brown hair, [redacted] eyes, 6'2",
and 160 pounds. This license is due to expire on [redacted]

(3) California driver's license [redacted] issued
on [redacted] to [redacted]
[redacted] California. [redacted] is described as [redacted]
brown hair, brown eyes. 6'2", 170 pounds. This license
is due to expire on [redacted]

[redacted] advised that these were the only
three individuals issued driver's license in the surname
of [redacted]

The above driver's licenses were compared with
the artist sketch of the individual who hijacked Northwest
Airlines plane out of Seattle, and none of them appear to
be identical or similar with the artist sketch.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

RE: [redacted]

[redacted] Minneapolis, advised that Stewardess
[redacted] was interviewed this AM, and she said that the
photo of [redacted] definitely was not the subject.

PRB:klb
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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper,
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTN: EXHIBIT SECTION,
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Sub-IC

Re Seattle teletype transmitted by facsimile,
11/30/71.

On December 6, 1971, witness [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] submitted to SA [REDACTED] five
color photographs he clipped from the National Geographic
magazine, which he feels more closely depicts the nose
and cheeks of the unknown subject, whom he feels was of
Mexican-American descent with possibly Indian blood.

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These are being forwarded to the Bureau in the
event any further sketches of the unknown subject are
contemplated. Seattle is retaining xerox copies of these
photographs.

in Sub K

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)
ATTN: EXHIBIT SECTION,
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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On 12/6/71, SA JOHN G. GREEN from Buffalo,
telephonically advised that a suspect [redacted] has been
developed based on information concerning him received
by the Buffalo Division. [redacted] who lived
[redacted] He left [redacted]
[redacted] have not heard from him since
that time. [redacted]

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[redacted] generally fits the description
of UNSUB and there was some indication that he might be
planning some big job. [redacted] stated that an airtel from
Buffalo setting forth the details and enclosing a photo,
is forthcoming; however, he furnished the information
telephonically in view of Bureau instructions.

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SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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DB Cooper-3162

NR 009 PD PLAIN

5:20 PM URGENT 12/6/71 TLA

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC., CAA -
HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

SUMMARY TELETYPE.

LOOK - ALIKE LEADS ARE BEING RECEIVED FROM PUBLIC AND ARE
BEING COVERED. NO POSITIVE INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO DATE. (P).

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

DATE: 12/6/71

Sub: Casano
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On 12/4/71, Supervisor PRICE called from the Bureau.

He referred to a UPI story to the effect that three different women had reported seeing or hearing a light plane near McClellan Air Field, Woodland, Washington, on the night of the hijacking.

He said Asst. Director BATES wanted to know what we were doing to resolve this if it had not already been resolved. He said we should send a teletype over the weekend.

After talking to SA MANNING, it was established that it had been resolved and that the [redacted] [redacted] said no plane had actually landed that night.

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A teletype was sent to the Bureau on 12/4/71.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
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CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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DB Cooper-3165

TO: CENTRAL OFFICE
FROM: Minneapolis (44-73)

MEMO, ORG
NWAL FILE N35
11/24/71
CRA - Hijacking

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1. Line G-I-K-M represents the airplane's flight path as it approached the Portland (PLX) VOR.
2. The cabin pressure "bump" occurred at 0410 GMT, the time being recorded by the NWA Flight Operations Office (NWAFO) in Minneapolis. It is a virtual certainty that the pressure "bump" marks the time that the high-jacker (HJ) left the airplane. The airplane was at Point A at that time, thus the HJ's body would land at Point A if his 'chutes did not open (unlikely).
3. If it is assumed that the HJ was a highly expert parachutist, and would thus free-fall as far as practicable to insure the best accuracy of his touchdown point, he would land slightly to the NE of Point A due to his drifting with the wind from the point of 'chute opening.
4. If the HJ opened his 'chute as soon as he left the airplane, he would drift along the line A-B and would touch down at B. All lines parallel to A-B are lines along which the HJ would drift if he opened his 'chute relatively early.
5. The parallelogram indicated by C-D-F-E represents the boundaries of the probable touchdown area adjusted for possible time errors and for the above described wind drift. It is probably the most fruitful search area.
6. The earliest the HJ could have jumped is 0406, and this point is represented by Point G.
7. The crew believes the pressure "bump" occurred at 0410, but in any event are certain it occurred before 0415. If the HJ jumped at 0406 (unlikely) he would land on or near line G-H. If he jumped at 0415 he would land on or near line M-N.
8. Based on the above explanation of Figure 1, and on all the assumptions based in its preparation, the following are pertinent:
 - a. The most likely landing point for the HJ is at, or slightly NE of Point A.
 - b. His landing point is more likely to be in area C-D-F-E than any other.
 - c. It is possible his landing point could be anywhere within the area shown (G-H-N-M), but the probability goes down as the ends of this area are approached.

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Figure 1, and this explanation, were prepared by [redacted]



DB Cooper-3166

6:05 pm 11/24/71

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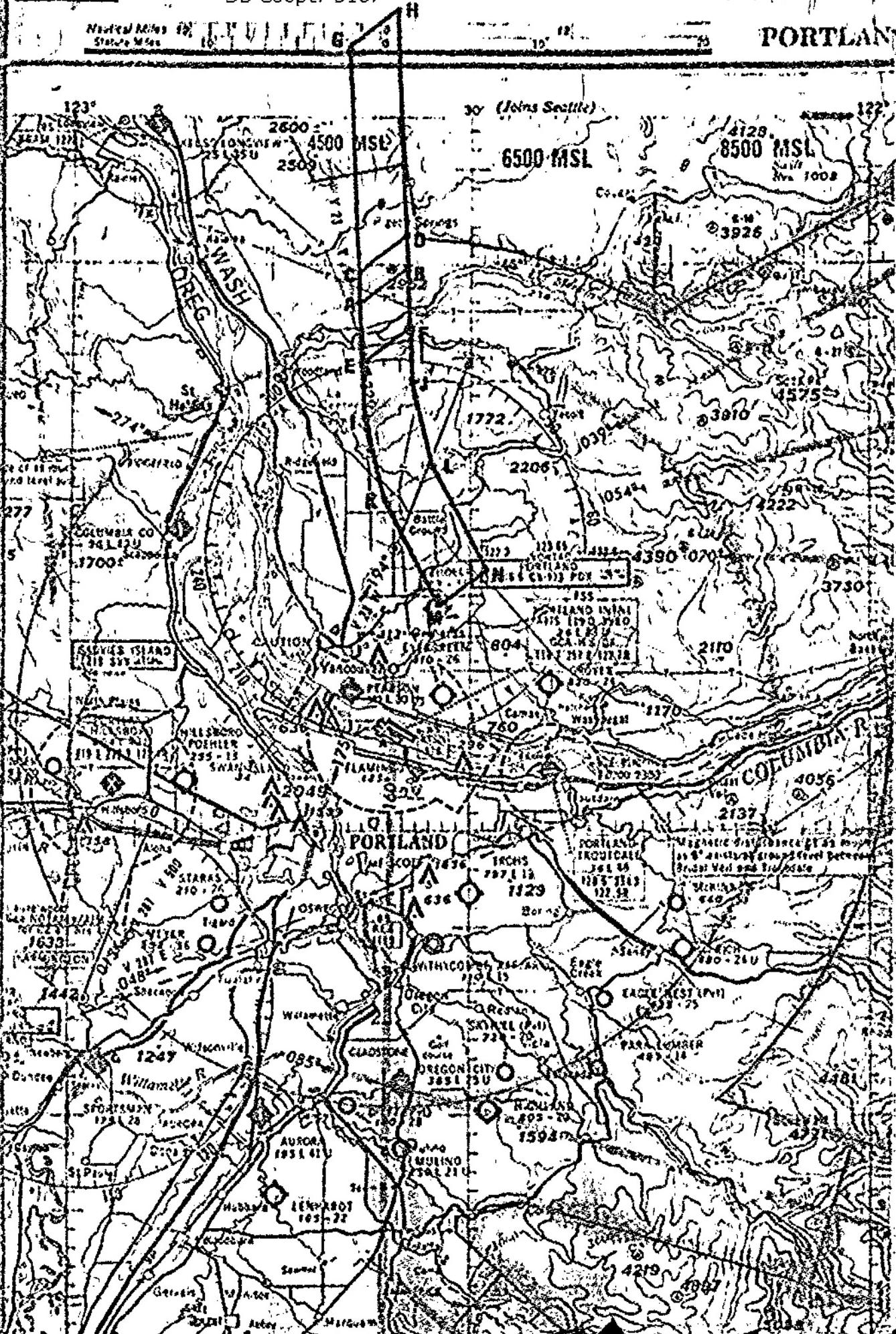
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Figure 1

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10. "JETTIE C 164-81-65
FROM: Minneapolis (C-73)

RECD BY
HWAFO AT 4305
11/24/71
CRA - Hyracking

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 - b. His landing point is more likely to be in area C-D-F-E than any other.
 - c. It is possible his landing point could be anywhere within the area shown (G-H-N-M), but the probability goes down as the ends of this area are approached.

Figure 1, and this explanation, were prepared by [redacted]

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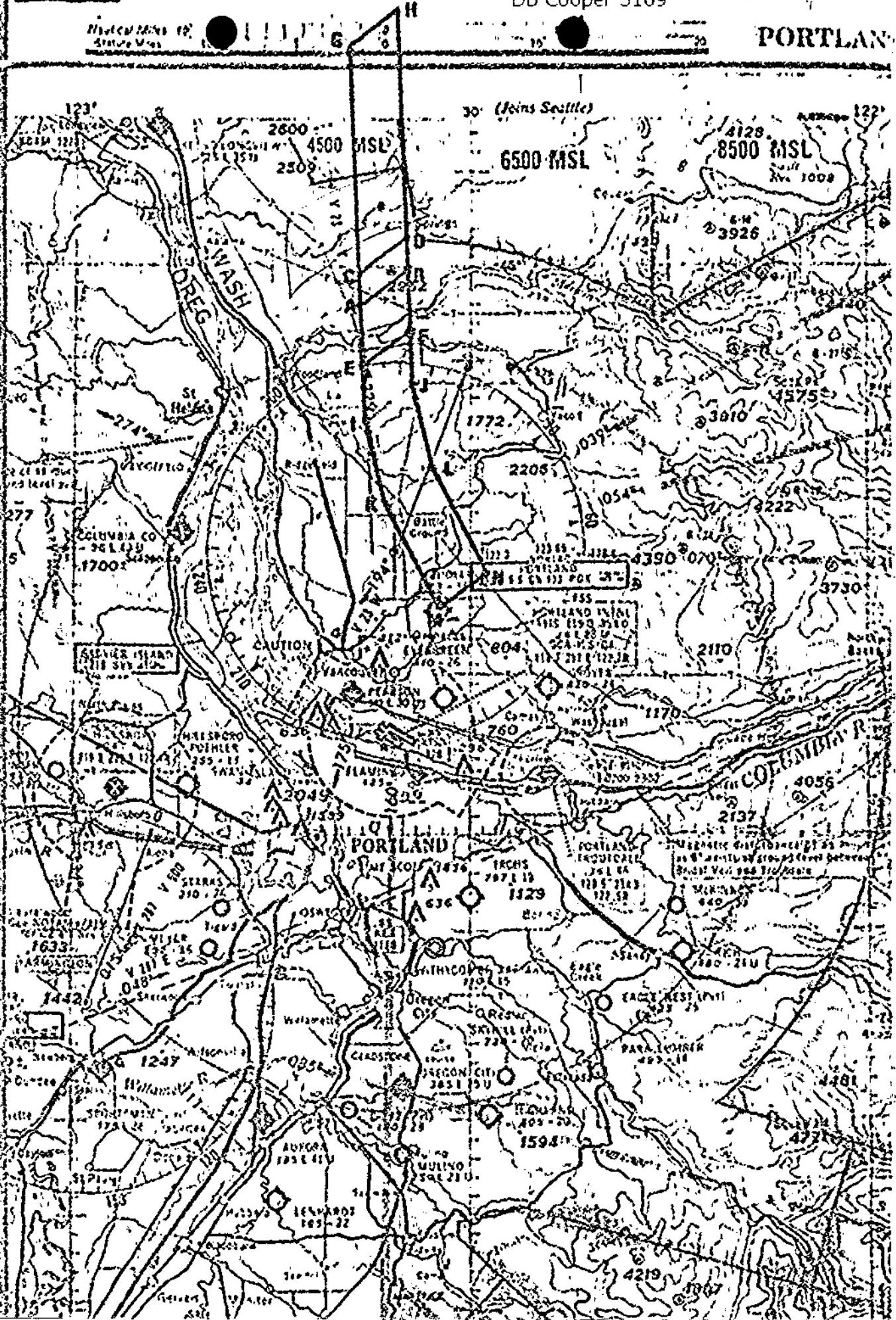
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Figure 1

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: SEARCH AREA

DATE: 12/6/71

Sub: Search Sub E

A facsimile copy of a memo prepared by [redacted]

[redacted] which was
accompanied by a map, which is also a facsimile, were re-
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The map shows the course of the aircraft from
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of Battle Ground and sets out the most likely area for the
parachute drop according to [redacted] latest
calculations as an area described by parallel lines C, D E & F.
Generally speaking this would be an area between Pidgeon Springs
and an area just north and east of Woodland.

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The above information was furnished on 12/6/71
by ASAC BIBLER to SA MANNING at which time SA MANNING
advised that he is sure that the area now described has
already been searched by helicopter and fixed wing aircraft and
that much of it has been covered on the ground as well.

It is noted that on 12/2/71, [redacted] advised
that after re-examining the flight recorder, he would suggest
that the search area could be extended to the north an
additional three miles, and to as south as the Columbia
River. That information was furnished to SA MANNING and
possibly included the area now described in the map prepared
by [redacted]

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SA MANNING requested that to be sure that the
area had been searched, that accopy of the map be forwarded
to him for examination.

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

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FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

DATE: 12/6/71

Sub: Search

RE: SEARCH AREA

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[redacted] was advised that his officer is appreciated and the matter will be referred to Mr. MILNES.

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SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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Date: 12/1/71

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(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTELAIR MAIL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, SEATTLE
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (164-497) (P)

RE: UNSUB;
 HIJACKING OF NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES
 FLIGHT NUMBER 305
 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
 11/24/71
 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

Re Cincinnati teletype to the Bureau, copies to
 Los Angeles and Seattle, dated 12/1/71.

RE: [redacted]

Enclosed for Seattle is one photograph of [redacted]
 obtained from the files of the Orange County Sheriff's
 Office, Santa Ana, California, on 11/30/71. [redacted] described
 as a white male American, born [redacted]
 5'10", 165 pounds, [redacted] hair, [redacted] eyes, medium build,
 medium complexion.

[redacted] Results of investigation at Los Angeles regarding
 being submitted via nitel this date.

Facsimile copies of photograph provided to Seattle
 12/1/71.

2 - Seattle (Encl. 1) (AM - SPECIAL DELIVERY)
 2 - Los Angeles

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Approved: Wb Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

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Date: December 2, 1971

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via Airtel AIR MAIL
(Priority)TO: SAC, SEATTLE
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (164-220) (P)RE: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
PORTLAND, OREGON, TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
11/24/71
CAA - AIR PIRACY
OO: SEATTLE

Re San Francisco nitel to Seattle, 12/1/71.

Enclosed for Seattle is the [redacted] photo of [redacted]

[redacted] on 12/1/71, which need not be returned.

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b7DLEADSSEATTLEAT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON. Display photo of [redacted]
to witnesses and if more recent photo is needed, set forth
lead to San Francisco to conduct investigation at [redacted]
[redacted] telephone number [redacted] in attempt
to obtain one.b6
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2 - San Francisco
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Special Agent in Charge

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158PM NITEL 12/4/71 GLN

TO SEATTLE
ST. LOUIS (164-63) (AM)
FROM PHOENIX 164-100 1P

UNSUB, AKA, DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE; PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO PHOENIX, DECEMBER THIRD,
LAST.

[REDACTED], WERE DISPLAYED THE ARTIST CONCEPTION OF THE UNSUB., AND BOTH ADVISED THAT HE DID NOT APPEAR IDENTICAL TO A [REDACTED] BOTH ADVISED THAT THEY DID NOT KNOW OF [REDACTED] WHEREABOUTS ON DAY OF HIJACKING.

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PHOENIX IS TRANSMITTING PHOTOGRAPHS OF [REDACTED] TO SEATTLE SO THAT THEY CAN BE DISPLAYED TO WITNESSES. PENDING.

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Date: 12/4/71

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Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via TELETYPE NITEL
(Priority)

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)(P)

DAILY TELETYPE -Sub.OUNSUB, aka DAN COOPER. NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. 305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SE.

TWO SEATTLE WITNESSES, VIEWING PHOTOS OF [REDACTED]
 ADVISED HE WAS NOT IDENTICAL TO UNSUB. PORTLAND WITNESS,
 [REDACTED] ADVISED FACIMILE/PHOTO QUALITY TOO POOR TO
 CONSIDER. STEWARDESS [REDACTED] IN TRANSIT AND BEING
 CONTACTED ON ARRIVAL AT MINNEAPOLIS, FOR SHOWING OF [REDACTED] PHOTO.
 BUTTE MAKING INQUIRY IN [REDACTED] AREA TO DETERMINE
 IF [REDACTED] WAS IN [REDACTED] AREA AROUND TIME OF HIJACKING.

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Approved: *JLK*
Special Agent in ChargeSent 4:22 p M Per DCA

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 11/30/71

FROM : SPC [redacted]

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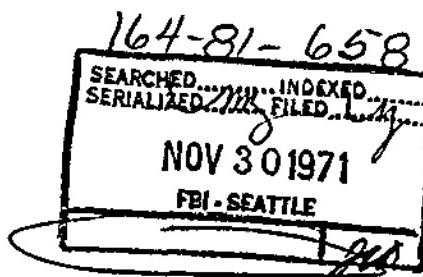
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[redacted] telephone [redacted]
advised that at approximately 9:30 P.M., this date, he observed
a man who resembled the artist's conception published in the daily
newspapers. [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

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AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, MINNEAPOLIS
FROM : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

OO: Seattle

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RE: [redacted]

Reference Miami teletype to Bureau dated 12/2/71.

Enclosed for Minneapolis is one (1) photo of

[redacted] during period November 21 through November 26, 1971. Miami is requested to display photographs to witnesses prior to interview of [redacted]

On December 3, 1971, photo shown to two witnesses at Seattle who did not identify [redacted] as Unsub.

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MINNEAPOLIS
At Minneapolis, Minnesota

Display photo of CASE to witnesses and advise Seattle and Miami of results by teletype.

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1 - Miami
2 - Seattle
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SPC [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
DAN COOPER;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

At about 5:00 PM, 12/4/71, SA [redacted] Eugene,
Oregon RA (Portland FBI), advised by FTS telephone that
he showed picture of [redacted] to witness,
[redacted] who can neither identify nor eliminate as
UNSUB. He believes [redacted] ears stand out to much and his
face is too round.

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1011PM NITEL 12-3-71 RWR

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

CLEVELAND

PITTSBURGH

ST. LOUIS

FROM CHICAGO (164-297)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND
TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE ST. LOUIS TELEPHONE CALL TO CHICAGO, DECEMBER THREE,
INSTANT AND CHICAGO TELEPHONE CALL TO CLEVELAND INSTANTL.

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SUSPECT: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]

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REVIEW OF MILITARY RECORDS ST. LOUIS REVEALED SUSPECT

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ON DECEMBER THREE, INSTANT, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED FROM MEMORY SUSPECT EMPLOYED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HAS NO EMPLOYMENT

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RECORDS AND RECALLS NOTHING OF SUSPECT'S BACKGROUND. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
CLEVELAND TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT FROM OTHER
BACKGROUND DEVELOPED, CLEVELAND IN PROCESS OF DETERMINING PRESENT
WHEREABOUTS OF SUSPECT.

LEAD FOR PITTSBURGH TO LOCATE SUSPECT AT ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA,
BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION OF OFFICE OF ORIGIN AFTER RESULTS
OF CLEVELAND'S EFFORTS TO LOCATE SUSPECT ARE KNOWN.

UNSUB SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.

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7:50 PM 12-3-71 NITEL DD

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC, CLEVELAND

SAC, SEATTLE

SAC, MINNEAPOLIS

SAC, PHOENIX

SAC, BALTIMORE

SAC, PORTLAND

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (164-26) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES , FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA-
HIJACKING , EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

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[redacted]
REFERENCE CLEVELAND TEL DECEMBER THREE, SEVEN ONE AND
SEATT TELCALL TO BUTTE DECEMBER THREE, SEVEN ONE.

INVESTIGATION AT [redacted] THIS DATE, INDICATES

[redacted] PRESENTLY RESIDING AT [redacted]

[redacted] AND EMPLOYED AS [redacted]

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[REDACTED] RESIDENCE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFERENCE TO SEATTLE TELCALL, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] NOT INTERVIEWED PENDING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS OF
SEATTLE.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/4/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB;
Northwest Airlines,
Flight 305,
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING,
EXTORTION

RE: [redacted]

Re: Cleveland tel to Seattle, 12/3/71; Butte tel
to Seattle, 12/3/71.

At 7:20 AM, SA [redacted] Division 6, Bureau,
telephonically requested immediate reply on status of
investigation concerning subject of referenced Cleveland
teletype, [redacted]

[redacted] SA [redacted] referred to instant case [redacted]
and telephonically contacted SA's CHARLES FERRELL, [redacted]
[redacted] and ASAC BIBBLER regarding the matter.

Bureau was advised that photos were received
at Seattle last night and will be shown to witnesses this
date.

Minneapolis (SA ARTHUR SULLIVAN) was advised of
Bureau interest and requested to show photographs to witnesses
this date and immediately notify this office of results, with
copy of that correspondence to be directed to Bureau. SA
SULLIVAN advised he could not locate photographs and had no
record of having received same.

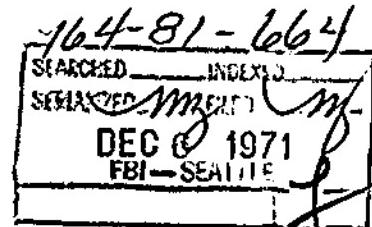
Cleveland office (SA's THOMPSON and WAYNE TISHNER)
advised that photos were sent to Minneapolis on Northwest
Flight 125 at 2:10 PM 11/3/71.

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Facsimiles of photos were sent to Portland and
Philadelphia, and telephone calls made to those offices by
SA [redacted], requesting they display photographs to
witnesses this date and to notify Seattle and Bureau
immediately of results. Portland will notify Eugene w/ facsimiles.

Butte Division was telephonically advised, re
referenced communication, to discreetly determine if suspect
[redacted] was physically present and accounted for
[redacted] on the day of instant hijacking, and
immediately notify Seattle of results of that investigation.
Supvsr. WALTERS advised that RA at [redacted] would immediately be
notified, and Seattle would receive results "by tonite".

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During above communication with Bureau by telephone, [redacted] Division 6, further advised that Assistant Director BISHOP is very interested in this case and has advised him that Crime Records Division has agreed to immediately disseminate nationally any information concerning key suspect in this case. He further advised a report was being submitted from Bureau to Director this date and they will be interested in any information on any developments instantly.

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FBI, Portland advised telephonically that facimile photos of [redacted] being sent, that these are to be transmitted to Eugene and shown to pertinent witnesses.

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FBI, Philadelphia advised that facimile photos being sent of [redacted] to show to [redacted] stewardess. They called back, that girl had left for Minneapolis and to contact her there. Minneapolis advised and will contact.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
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Sub. A - Witness

On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
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On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

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including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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the hijacker in this case.

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1-164-81 [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
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On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

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the hijacker in this case.

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DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted Mr. [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]
[redacted] telephone [redacted] Vice President

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SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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cc

1-164-81 [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

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SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of [redacted]
the hijacker in this case.

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1-164-81 [redacted]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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SA [redacted]

contacted [redacted]

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SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305, 11/24/71
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On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES
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CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

Sub. H

On 12/6/71 SA [redacted] contacted [redacted]

telephone [redacted]

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telephone [redacted]

SA [redacted] exhibited to [redacted] a group of photographs,
including that of [redacted], a suspect
in the instant matter.

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[redacted] eliminated this suspect, based upon his recollection of
the hijacker in this case.

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How to Steal \$200,000

Or the Great Ransom-Hijacking

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Call me Michael Cooper, the newspapers are. I always wanted to commit the perfect crime. Now I've got \$200,000 tax free to prove it. That's a lot of bread even after a three-way split.

I've been hatching this plot a long time--in fact ever since I got out of the Army. Returned to Portland, my home town. Couldn't find a job and I tried hard, real hard. But no one appreciated my ability. Now the whole world is appreciating my ability. There's no denying \$200,000.

Boarded this Boeing 727 November 24th at Portland. It was just what I wanted. Soon as I got on I handed this stewardess a note ordering her to stick close and if anything went wrong my briefcase would go off taking everyone with it. I had dynamite wired up in my case and I showed it to the broad to prove I was serious. Told her to tell the pilot to notify the airport in Seattle to have money ready when we arrived. And two sets of parachutes should be thrown in for good measure. I wasn't about to take chances. This was kind of a milk-run so chances were against an air-marshall being on board. This would be the first major heist in the Northwest ever. That Green Beret training in Viet Nam came in handy for something.

I stayed in the back close to this stewardess. Don't think anybody really knew what was coming off, except the crew. And they were very efficient and cooled it. They knew enough not to spook me. I had long before decided that my life and that of a few others were well worth the risk for all that money. Besides before I had nothing to show for my life, now I do. I grant you money isn't all, just 99% and besides someday I can make another mint off my memoirs.

Circling the area for two and a half hours, we finally settled down. They didn't fool me none. The old Northwest Airlines Inc. was probably recording the serial numbers, all 10,000 of them, because I wanted the money all in 20's. Maybe even a big outfit like that had trouble putting together \$200,000 at that time of night. Once on the ground I allowed the 36 passengers and two stewardesses to

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Ordered to the plane to refuel and prepare for immediate take-off on schedule to Reno. There were official-looking gents all over the place, a lot of them FBI men, I imagine. Finally, this courier type guy boarded the plane and gave the small white pouch to the stewardess that I allowed to remain to be the interpreter. Oh, and last but not least the chutes. The dough seemed in order; it only weighed about 20 lbs.

We took off about 7:30. Right on schedule, my schedule. This is where the timing came in. Made the stewardess enter the captain's cockpit. Can you imagine, that fancy dame, when I first handed her the note and declared myself, actually thought I wanted a piece of her instead of the action. She got so she treated me with a little more respect, or should I say, fear. That's the way a man should treat a woman, under him. You give them much quarter and they'll stomp on you.

Well, back to that night. I got what little crew was left, four to be exact, up front. Oh, the instructions given to the crew upon taking off were to leave the flaps down at 15°, unlatch the passenger door, to level off at 7,000' and to not exceed 95 knots. They were also told the latitude-longitude course to take. I had everything thought out, needless to say. I've been around planes before and I've made drops before, plenty of them and not just in Viet Nam. Was a smoke fighter once. And I knew the drop-out area like the palm of my hand. For several weeks I practiced precision dropping at the Orchards Chute Landing Area in SW Washington. And for all you'll ever know I might have had kin or somebody in the area, might I not?

Well, back to the story because this is where the action got fierce. Figured I had 30 to 45 minutes before making the drop. Lots to do. Taking my hunting knife out I slashed up a secondary chute and strapped the money around my waist. Put my long flashlight and K rations about my person. Oh, and I had a 38 revolver which I never had to flash. And then the big job. To check out the main chute. That was awkward but I had been practicing that too trying to cut down my time. I had to rush that a little but that's the chances you take. Defused the dynamite, opened the door and tossed it out. Repacked the main chute, strapped it on my back, put the reserve chute on my chest which I learned afterwards had been sewn shut. That's a laugh. They must

take me for a compleat idiot. Why the hell do you think I ordered two sets of chutes. I didn't take many chances, not many at all.

It wasn't a bad night for a drop--overcast but I would bail clear of that. Checking my time, I cleared the altitude and speed with the captain over the com-line. Everything was about right even though I missed the airport beam at Kalama because of poor visibility. I had to clear Lake Morwin. Clearing the clouds, I floated down. Heard later there were three military trail planes but they couldn't see me through the soup. I tugged and jerked the lines just right. Hit in a field. Thank God I didn't get hung up in a tree. Concealed both chutes. Then checked my reading. I knew pretty well where I was but confirmed it with my compass and county map. I just had 5 to 10 miles to go to get to my car. Reached it by early morning. Let me tell you that man cannot live by bread alone or by K rations for that matter.

Heard later when they made a skidding, sparks-flying stop at Reno that they set dogs loose trying to spot me in the hangars and adjoining homes. Yes, they must have taken me for a fool. But I had it all planned out, all planned out. They underestimated me all the way. I dropped short of where they said I did. And by the time they find any traces of me, if they ever do, I'll be long gone. Might have held up in Portland or Seattle or lit straight out for Canada. Odds are they'll never find me. Not if they're looking for a lookish, Latin type man in a dark suit with sun glasses. Besides knowing a lot of other things what's to stop me from being an expert at disguise?? Nothing, I tell you.

Well, I could go on more but I've got things to do. Think I deserve a little rest and you can bet your stars it's going to be in style. Oh, don't believe that malarky at the start of my story about there being accomplices. Do you think I'd be crazy enough to deal anybody in on this, especially a blabby, spineless female. And if I found one I cared enough for to deal in, I wouldn't expose her to the risk. But from now on I won't have any trouble finding companionship if and when I ever need it. Yes, I'm a loner from the word go and that's the way I like it.

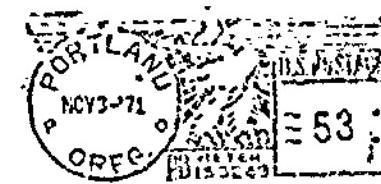
Right now I'm laying low. Don't even care if the magazine pays me for this

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article to show you how big hearted I am. Or maybe I made its printing conditional to a bank deposit in Switzerland. Who knows? Except me and I'm not telling until it's to my advantage. You can bet your darn britches on that. And if I have any good word for you, dear reader, it is to take heart and never give up for almost anyone with a little imagination and initiative and guts can find a silver lining. And then sit back and muse and laugh at the authorities as they muddle their way along. So good luck, God bless and may the winner take all.

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Editor For Men Only
625 Madison Av./
New York, NY 10022



RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED



DB Cooper 8205

11-29-71

Editor, For Men Only
625 Madison Av.
NY, NY 10022

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a timely article which I humbly submit for publication. It's really one of the best things I've written--all fiction of course. Hope you're interested. Let me know soon since I'm expecting someone to be interested.



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DB Cooper 3206

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Cooper letters*

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
(ATT: FBI LABORATORY,
LATENT PRINTS AND DOCUMENT SECTION)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (164-627)

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT 305,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING
(OO: SEATTLE)

ReNYtel to Portland and Seattle dated 12/3/71.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory are a 4-page article,
one envelope and a letter from [REDACTED] Enclosed for Seattle
and Portland are copies of above.

On 12/3/71, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] made available above enclosures which he stated he had
received that same date. He stated it would be necessary to
return the above original enclosures, as it was customary to
return unrequested articles for publication to the individuals
who had submitted them.

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REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

(1) FBI Latent Prints and Document Section is requested to examine the above enclosures for possible latent prints, and to compare them with any latents developed in this matter. These originals should be expeditiously returned to New York in view of [redacted] request that they be returned to him.

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(2) Document Section is requested to examine enclosures and compare them with any specimens developed in this matter, if available.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB; NORTHWEST FLIGHT 305
CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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On 11/30/71, the Seattle City Directory indicated that one [redacted] resided at [redacted] phone [redacted]
[redacted] and that he was employed as [redacted]
[redacted]

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On 11/30/71, the Washington State Department of Motor Vehicles, Olympia, Washington, advised that [redacted] was issued Washington Drivers License number [redacted]. A request was made by SA ROBERT WICK to obtain a photo of the subject, and SA WICK provided a copy of the drivers license.

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On 11/30/71, 12/1, 2/71, the records of the Seattle PD, Seattle Credit Bureau and the King County SO were checked re [redacted] with negative results.

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On 12/2/71, [redacted]
[redacted] advised that [redacted] signed out of [redacted]
[redacted] on 11/24/71 at 6:00pm.

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DUE TO THE ABOVE INVESTIGATION [redacted] IS
BEING ELIMINATED AS A SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

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Date of transcription 11/30/71

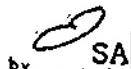
[redacted] telephone [redacted]
[redacted]
furnished the following information [redacted]
[redacted]

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[redacted] described [redacted] as being 6'1", 155 pounds.
black hair, very quiet and overly calm at all times. [redacted]
usually [redacted] but could have smoked cigarettes as
well. [redacted]

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[redacted] was shown the composit drawing of the hijacker
and stated that it sure looked like [redacted] and that he last
saw him on the street about one week ago.

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b7CInterviewed on 11/30/71 at Seattle, Washington File # SE 164-81-679by  SA

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Date dictated

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

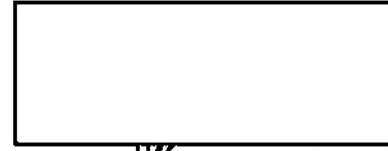
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FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
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On 12/3/71 [redacted] was shown
a group of photographs which contained a photo of
[redacted]. [redacted] advised
that this individual is not identical with his
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
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a group of photographs which contained a photo of
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that this individual is not identical with his
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
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On 12/13/71 [redacted] was shown
[redacted] a group of photographs which contained a photo of
[redacted] advised
that this individual is not identical with his
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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On 12/3/71 [redacted] was shown
a group of photographs which contained a photo of [redacted]
[redacted] advised
that this individual is not identical with his
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
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FLIGHT #305,
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On 12/3/71 [redacted]
[redacted] was shown
a group of photographs which contained a photo of [redacted]
[redacted] advised
that this individual is not identical with his
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
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On 12/4/71 [redacted] was shown
a group of photographs which contained a photo of
[redacted] advised
that this individual is not identical with his
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
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FLIGHT #305,
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On 12/1/71 [redacted] was shown
a group of photographs which contained a photo of
[redacted] [redacted] advised
that this individual is not identical with his
recollection of the hijacker in this case.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)

DATE: 12/12/11

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
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On 12/1/71

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~~a group of photographs which contained a photo of [redacted]. [redacted] advised that this individual is not identical with his recollection of the hijacker in this case.~~

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : ASAC PAUL R. BIBLER

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: [redacted]

On 12/4/71, I telephoned Duty Agent [redacted] in Minneapolis; Supervisor WALTERS at Butte and the Duty Agent JERRY WILSON at Portland. I told all of them of the Bureau's request that [redacted] be either eliminated or confirmed as a suspect as soon as possible and that when they had shown their photos and/or in the case of Butte, Determine if [redacted] was working on the day in question, they should call Seattle and follow up by teletype to the Bureau and Seattle.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper,
NW AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING, EXTORTION

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Airtel

12/3/71

TO: SAC, WFO (164-169)

FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

CC - Sub E.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING
OO: SEATTLE

Reference is made to WFO teletype to Bureau 12/2/71 setting forth data concerning possible use of NASA aircraft in connection with captioned matter. It was requested that the Bureau advise of any further action to be taken.

Confirming Bureau telephone call to WFO 12/3/71 you are instructed that no further action at this time is necessary concerning the information set forth in referenced teletype.

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Airtel

12/3/71

TO: SAC, Portland (164-41)
FROM: Director, FBI (164-2111)

UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT 305
11/24/71
CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT -
HIJACKING
OO: SEATTLE

Sub. S.

Reference is made to Portland teletype to Bureau dated 12/1/71 (no copy Seattle) indicating officials from Department of the Interior, Portland, Oregon, are requesting reimbursement of \$935 for use of helicopters in connection with searches in captioned matter.

This airtel confirms telephonic information furnished SAC, Portland 12/2/71 authorizing the Portland Office to make arrangements to pay the Department of the Interior as requested in referenced teletype. Portland insure copies of future communications are designated for Seattle which is office of origin in this matter.

(1) - SAC, Seattle (Information)

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10:50 AM URGENT 12-7-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO
FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING. OO SE.

CHIEF OF POLICE JAMES OVERHULSE, EASTSIDE, OREGON, ON
DECEMBER SIX SEVENTYONE ADVISED THE BOTTOM HALF OF ARTIST'S
SKETCH OF SUBJECT IS SIMILAR TO ONE [REDACTED]

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OVERHULSE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED [REDACTED] AS THIRTYTWO TO THIRTY-
THREE YEARS, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE SEVEN FIVE POUNDS, DARK
BROWN HAIR.

SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF [REDACTED]
DURING PERTINENT PERIOD ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. P.
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DB Cooper-3225

NR 002 PD PLAIN

10:50 AM URGENT 12-7-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER, NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO
FIVE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE, CAA - HIJACKING. OO SE.

CHIEF OF POLICE JAMES OVERHULSE, EASTSIDE, OREGON, ON
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Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION
(OO:SE)

RE: [redacted]

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Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from Milwaukee Division that [redacted] may be residing in [redacted] area and has recently turned in an application for employment [redacted]. He was also described as a person generally fitting the description of Unsub and [redacted]
[redacted]

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Records of the Seattle Credit Bureau were checked on December 1, 1971, with negative results.

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[redacted] advised on December 1, 1971, that her company had no record of an application submitted by subject.

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[redacted] Washington State Department of Public Assistance, Seattle, advised on December 1, 1971, that [redacted] was not on the Welfare rolls in the City of Seattle.

Department of Motor Vehicles was checked on December 1, 1971, with negative results.

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On December 2, 1971, records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office were checked with negative results.

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SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

12/6/71

SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION
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3-Seattle

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SE 164-81

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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[redacted] phone [redacted]
[redacted] telephonically advised 12/5/71, that [redacted] was a look-alike to the picture of the hijacker of captioned aircraft. She stated that she had no reason to suspect [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

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She described him as being approximately 35 years, 5'8",
[redacted] eyes. [redacted] hair. and furnished an address of
[redacted]

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-3231

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION
(OO:SE)

RE: [redacted]

ELIM

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Investigation initiated upon receipt of information from [redacted] stating that he showed a striking resemblance to artist's conception of Unsub and that he was also [redacted] area.

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Records of the Seattle Police Department and King County Sheriff's Office checked on November 30, 1971, failed to produce a record identifiable with [redacted]

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Seattle Credit Bureau records checked on December 1, 1971, indicated that in September of 1968, [redacted] was [redacted]

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted]

[redacted] was interviewed and advised that [redacted]

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-3232

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requested that SA [redacted] not contact [redacted] concerning [redacted]
the subject [redacted]

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proceeded to take SA
into the office of [redacted]

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[redacted] explained that

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On December 1, 1971, [redacted] was interviewed at [redacted]

[redacted] at which time he stated that he had not been involved in captioned matter. He confirmed that he had worked the day of November 24th and had spent that evening at [redacted]

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[redacted] resides, located at [redacted] general appearance was definitely not that of the artist's conception of Unsub and [redacted] emphatically stated that [redacted] he would think that anyone making such a jump that Unsub did would have to be crazy.

SE 164-81

In view of the above it is recommended no further investigation be conducted concerning this suspect.

SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

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SA [redacted]

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UNSUB, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING;
EXTORTION
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RE: [redacted]

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requested that SA [redacted] not contact [redacted] concerning
the subject [redacted]

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into the office of [redacted]

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SE 164-81

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NR007NK PLAIN

407PM URGENT 12-6-71 MLC

TO DIRECTOR (164-2111)

NEW YORK

SEATTLE

FROM NEWARK (164-196) 2P

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIR LINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CAA-HIJACKING, (OO: SEATTLE).

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DECEMBER THREE,
LAST.

ON DECEMBER SIX, NINETEEN SEVENTY ONE, [redacted]

[redacted], ADVISED THAT

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[redacted] ADVISED THAT HE

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CONSIDER UNKNOWN SUBJECT DANGEROUS.

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

NR001 MP PLAIN

3:23 URGENT 12-6-71 MAW

TO: DIRECTOR (164-2111)

CLEVELAND

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: MINNEAPOLIS (164-73) 1P

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UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR SEVENTYONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE MINNEAPOLIS TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR DECEMBER FIVE LAST.

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

NORTHWEST AIRLINES STEWARDESS [redacted]

[redacted] ADVISED THIS

DATE THAT PHOTOS OF [redacted] RESEMBLE BUT ARE DEFINITELY NOT IDENTICAL WITH THE HIJACKER.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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NR 005 PD PLAIN

2:30 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJQ

TO: LITTLE ROCK (164-22)

SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) IP



UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, ETC., CAA -

HIJACKING; EXTORTION, OO: SEATTLE.

RE TELETYPE FROM LITTLE ROCK TO SEATTLE AND OTHER OFFICES,
DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTYONE.

SUSPECT [redacted]

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[redacted] COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, [redacted]

[redacted] CHECKED CURRENT DIRECTORIES COVERING [redacted] AND
RECORDS OF HIS OFFICE, FOR [redacted] WITH NO RESULTS. RECORDS AT
OREGON STATE POLICE ARE NEGATIVE FOR FILES. [redacted]

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[redacted] CREDIT BUREAU, CAN LOCATE NO RECORD FOR [redacted]

AM COPY SEATTLE.

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DB Cooper-3241

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AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,
Portland to Seattle.
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Subject [redacted]

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Re: Portland tel to Seattle, 11/29/71.

Re: Conversation of Chief of Police JOE MAY at
Woodland, Washington, with [redacted] MAY, on recontact.
advised [redacted]

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at [redacted] and never
leaves the house in the daytime. He is about 40 and meets the
physical description of the UNSUB. No further information
available from Chief MAY.

It has been suggested in investigations in the Seattle
Division that Portland check airfield or jump area in the vicinity
of Aurora, Oregon as possible place at which information concerning
UNSUB may be secured.

[redacted]
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[redacted] telephone [redacted] reported to possibly
have information on suspects, in view of his past activities.

LEADS

PORLTAND
At Portland, Oregon

1. Recontact [redacted]
for further information regarding [redacted]

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2. Check jump area at airport's vicinity, Aurora,
Oregon.

3. Contact [redacted]
[redacted] for information on suspects in captioned matter.

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AIRTEL

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
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11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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2 - Portland
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

Sub ✓

RE: SKY DIVERS
U.S. PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION

On 12/1/71 SA [redacted] Los Angeles FBI
Office advised that a [redacted]

[redacted] had advised [redacted] of the following
information:

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] all parachute jumpers must be licensed
through U.S. Parachute Association and that an extensive
application including a photo is furnished to the Association's
headquarters at Monterey, California.

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[redacted] advised that they would attempt to identify [redacted] and would also attempt to eliminate by age those who could not be involved in this hijacking and would then have the records of the U.S. Parachute Association at Monterey checked for date for those not eliminated.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUB: UNKNOWN SUBJECT, aka
Dan Cooper
NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: Seattle

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NR 002 SF PLAIN

1115AM URGENT 12-6-71 DEP

TO SEATTLE (164-81)

MIAMI (164-552)

FROM SAN FRANCISCO (164-220)

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UNSUB; NORTHWEST ORIENT AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, LAST, CRIME ABOARD
AIRCRAFT - HIJACKING.

RE MIAMI TELETYPE DATED DECEMBER TWO LAST.

RE SUSPECT [redacted]

RECORDS OF [redacted]

REFLECT THAT

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Date: 12/7/71

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TO : SACS, PITTSBURGH AND CHARLOTTE (164-101)
 FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)
 UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
 PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71. CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.
 OO: SE.

RE BALTIMORE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

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WHERE HE WAS AT WORK ON
 AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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Approved: B

Special Agent in Charge

Sent 9/7/71 9:22 AM Per MLB

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NR005 SE PLAIN

9:22AM URGENT 12/7/71 VAB
TO PITTSBURGH
CHARLOTTE (164-101)
FROM SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE. CAA-HIJACK-
ING; EXTORTION. OO: SE.

RE BALTIMORE TELETYPE DECEMBER SIX LAST.

RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

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[redacted] HAS BEEN LOCATED AT [redacted], WHERE HE [redacted]
[redacted] WAS AT WORK ON AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER
TWENTYFOUR LAST.

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DISCONTINUE RE [redacted]

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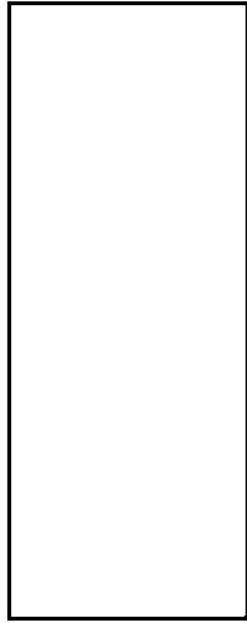
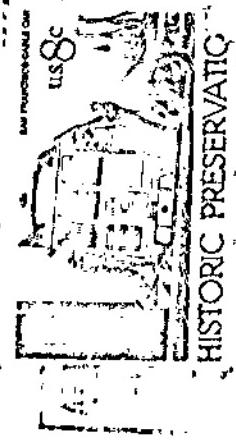
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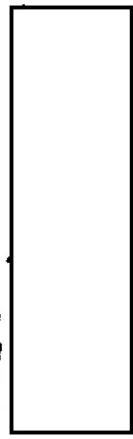
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DB Cooper-3254

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Date: 12/3/71

Transmit the following in _____
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) (ATTN: FBI LAB . AND IDENT.
DIVISION)

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (164-133)

SUBJECT: UMS UB;
Northwest Airlines Flight 305,
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING
(OO: SEATTLE)

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LETTERS

Re Bureau airtel to all offices dated 11/29/71.

Enclosed for the FBI Laboratory is a letter and an envelope sent to stewardess [REDACTED] in [REDACTED], postmarked 11/26/71, Minneapolis. Enclosed for the Minneapolis and Seattle Divisions is one Xerox copy each of above for assistance in covering leads.

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On 12/1/71, Stewardess [REDACTED] Northwest Airlines. was interviewed at [REDACTED] [REDACTED], and provided the enclosures indicating that she did not know whether this was important and did not bring it to the attention of the FBI before. She said she received this "crank" letter on 11/27/71 at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] She said the letter has been handled by her [REDACTED]

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The letter is signed [REDACTED]

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The Document Section of the FBI Laboratory is requested to retain a copy of instant letter for future comparisons with handwriting samples developed in this case.

2 - Bureau (164-2111) (Enc. 2) (RM)

2 - Minneapolis (164-73) (Enc. 2)

2 - Seattle (164-81) (Enc. 2) *rec'd*2 - Philadelphia (164-133) *r*

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PH 164-133

The Latent Fingerprint Section of the Identification Division is requested to process the letter and envelope for Latent fingerprints of value to be compared with known fingerprints of suspects developed in this case.

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS

AT [redacted] MINN.

Attempt to locate and interview [redacted], regarding the above letter.

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ARMED AND DANGEROUS

DB Cooper-3258

12/6/71

AGRTEL

AIRMAIL

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TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305.
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Re: [redacted]

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Two white males checked into a motel in a remote area of Cowlitz County, Washington at three a.m. November 26, 1971. The person who registered was [redacted] who gave an address of [redacted] and he stated he and his companion were going [redacted]

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[redacted] departed in the morning on November 26, 1971. [redacted] described as White male, who wore [redacted]

[redacted]
in area of subject's dropzone unexplained.

LEADS

PORLAND
At Portland, Oregon

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Conduct arrest check regarding [redacted] to determine further descriptive information and obtain photograph.

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2 - Seattle
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DB Cooper-3259

164-81-704

12/6/71

AORTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305.
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Re: [redacted]

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Two white males checked into a motel in a remote area of Cowlitz County, Washington at three a.m. November 26, 1971. The person who registered was [redacted] who gave an address of [redacted] and he stated he and his companion were going [redacted]

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[redacted] departed in the morning on November 26, 1971. [redacted] described as White male, who wore [redacted]

In area of subject's dropzone unexplained.

LEADS

PORLAND
At Portland, Oregon

Conduct arrest check regarding [redacted] to determine further descriptive information and obtain photograph.

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② - Seattle

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DB Cooper-3260

164-81-704

12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

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Re: Sub. UNSUB (Sub. [redacted])

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Information developed in the Seattle Division that a [redacted]

[redacted] telephone [redacted]
[redacted] particularly, the [redacted]
[redacted] stated that he knows a lookalike for
the composite photograph. He did not give the name of the sub-
ject who he feels is a lookalike and visits [redacted]
[redacted] He also remarked that this subject [redacted]

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LEADS

PORLAND
At Portland, Oregon

Through contact at [redacted]
[redacted] locate [redacted] mentioned above. Secure
name of his suspect and conduct appropriate investigation to
identify.

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2 - Portland
2 - Seattle
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12/6/71

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, PORTLAND (164-41)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81) (P)
SUBJECT: UNSUB; aka Dan Cooper;
Northwest Airlines Flight #305,
Portland to Seattle
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SEATTLE

Re: Sub. UNSUB (Sub. ____)

Information developed in the Seattle Division that a

[redacted] telephone [redacted]
[redacted] particularly, the [redacted]
[redacted] stated that he knows a lookalike for
the composite photograph. He did not give the name of the sub-
ject who he feels is a lookalike and visits [redacted]
[redacted] He also remarked that this subject
[redacted]

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LEADS

PORLAND
At Portland, Oregon

Through contact at [redacted]
[redacted] locate [redacted] mentioned above. Secure
name of his suspect and conduct appropriate investigation to
identify.

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2 - Portland
② Seattle
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DB Cooper-3262

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Date: Dec 4, 1971.

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Via TELETYPEXERXENTX NITEL

(Priority)

TO: SAC: CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB: NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT # 305, PORTLAND

TO SEATTLE, NOV. 24, 1971. CAA = HIJACKING: EXTORTION.

RE CHICAGONNITEL DEC. THIRD, LAST.

RE: SUSPECT -
THE BUTTE DIVISION HAS DETERMINED THATb6
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DISCONTINUE

AND FURTHER EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH WHEREABOUT S. A & D?

CEF: cef
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164-81-706

Approved: B

Special Agent in Charge

Sent PG FM Per OCA
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DB Cooper-3263

NR007 SE PLAIN

6:25 PM NITEL 12/4/71 DCA

TO CLEVELAND

PITTSBURGH

FROM SEATTLE (164-81) 1P

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA -
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE CHICAGO NITEL DECEMBER THREE, LAST.

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RE: SUSPECT - [redacted]

THE BUTTE DIVISION HAS DETERMINED THAT [redacted]

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[redacted] DISCONTINUE ANY FURTHER EFFORTS TO

ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TDL FBI PG-

DB Cooper-3264

164-81-706

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Date: 12-4-71

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Via TELETYPE

URGENT

(Priority)

*SOL SECRET*TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (164-2111) *SOL L.*

FROM: SEATTLE (164-81)

UNSUB, AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, 11/24/71 CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.

OO: SE.

RE PHONE CALLS FROM BUREAU TO SEATTLE, 12/4/71.

THE [REDACTED] MENTIONED IN REFERENCED PHONE CALLS,

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAVE ALL BEEN INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS. [REDACTED][REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HAS ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED AND OTHER
INDIVIDUALS IN THE VICINITY OF THE AIR STRIP. IT HAS BEEN RE-
APPEARS
SOLVED THAT THE PLANE WHICH LANDED ON THE AIR STRIP, ACCORDING
TO [REDACTED] HAS

ALSO BEEN INTERVIEWED BY BUAGENTS. THE LANDING BY [REDACTED]

WAS ON 11/23/71 AFTER CIRCLING AROUND AIR FIELD [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FURTHER ADVISED

[REDACTED] LANDED AT NEAR BY AIRSTRIP ON 11/23/71 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NO MARKINGS OR REGISTRATION ON THESE PLANES WERE OBTAINED
BY INDIVIDUALS OBSERVING BUT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHICH WAS THAT TYPE ON PLANE LANDING AT

NDS/njs

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Special Agent in Charge

DB Cooper-3265

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(Priority)

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[REDACTED] WHICH WAS OBSERVED BY [REDACTED]
MENTIONED ABOVE. [REDACTED] ADVISED REEKENEE NO
PLANE LANDED [REDACTED] 11/24/71. AT THIS POINT
INVESTIGATION DOES NOT DISCLOSE THAT PLANE FIGURES IN
CAPTIONED MATTER.

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DB Cooper-3266

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Special Agent in Charge

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NR 004 PD PLAIN

1:04 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO FBI AGENTS
FROM LONGVIEW ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, AND SHOWN A
NUMBER OF "MUG SHOTS". HE NOW BELIEVES THAT "MUG SHOT" IN UPPER
LEFT HAND CORNER OF THOSE SHOWN TO HIM MIGHT BE IDENTICAL TO ONE

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[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED
[REDACTED] AS ABOUT FIVE FEET TEN OR ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED
SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK, AND IN HIS FORTIES.

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[REDACTED] DESIRES TO SEE SAME "MUG SHOT" AGAIN.

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SEATTLE AT SEATTLE. ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHAT PHOTOGRAPHS WERE
SHOWN TO [REDACTED] IN ORDER THAT SAME PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE FORWARDED TO
PORTLAND DIVISION TO RE SHOW TO HIM.

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WILL, IN EVENT ANY OF PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN TO HIM ARE POSSIBLY
IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED] SET OUT LEADS TO IDENTIFY OR ELIMINATE
[REDACTED] AS SUSPECT.

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PORTLAND AT [REDACTED] MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

NR 004 PD, PLAIN

1:04 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJQ

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)

FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) 2P

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO
SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTY FOUR, SEVENTY ONE. CAA DASH HIJACKING;
EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO FBI AGENTS
FROM LONGVIEW ON NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE, AND SHOWN A
NUMBER OF "MUG SHOTS". HE NOW BELIEVES THAT "MUG SHOT" IN UPPER
LEFT HAND CORNER OF THOSE SHOWN TO HIM MIGHT BE IDENTICAL TO ONE

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[REDACTED] HE DESCRIBED
[REDACTED] AS ABOUT FIVE FEET TEN OR ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED
SEVENTY FIVE POUNDS, DARK, AND IN HIS FORTIES.
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[REDACTED] DESIRES TO SEE SAME "MUG SHOT" AGAIN.

SEATTLE AT SEATTLE. ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE WHAT PHOTOGRAPHS WERE
SHOWN TO [REDACTED] IN ORDER THAT SAME PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE FORWARDED TO
PORTLAND DIVISION TO RE SHOW TO HIM.

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WILL, IN EVENT ANY OF PHOTOGRAPHS SHOWN TO HIM ARE POSSIBLY
IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED] SET OUT LEADS TO IDENTIFY OR ELIMINATE
[REDACTED] AS SUSPECT.

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PORLAND AT [REDACTED] MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]

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END

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FBI SEATTLE CLR

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]
[redacted]

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On 12/2/71, [redacted] advised [redacted] possibly identical
to above-named suspect. This person is a [redacted]
[redacted]

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following descriptive information was obtained from a
review of [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]
POB: [redacted]
HGT: 5' 11"
WGT: 160 lbs.
HAIR: Brown
EYES: [redacted]
MARITAL: [redacted]
MILITARY: [redacted]
EDUCATION: [redacted]
[redacted]

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FORMER ADDRESSES: [redacted]

SSAN: [redacted]
EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND: 164-81-709
[redacted]

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-3271

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

[redacted]

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RELATIVES:

[redacted]

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[redacted] also furnished two copies of a photograph b6
of the above-named individual which she believes was taken b7C
[redacted] She advised this photo b7D
need not be returned. She could furnish no further information.

LEAD:

SEATTLE

Will attempt to further identify subject through credit and criminal checks and attempt to identify his whereabouts. Will also attempt to obtain more current photo through Dept. Of Motor Vehicles in Olympia, Washington.

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DB Cooper-3272

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/3/71

FROM : SA [redacted]

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SUBJECT: UNSUB;
NORTHWEST AIRLINES
FLIGHT #305
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION
OO: SE

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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On 12/2/71, [redacted]

[redacted] advised [redacted]
[redacted] possibly identical
to above-named suspect. This person is a [redacted]
[redacted]

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following descriptive information was obtained from a
review of [redacted]

DOB: [redacted]

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POB: [redacted]

HGT: 5' 11"

WGT: 160 lbs.

HAIR: Brown

EYES: [redacted]

MARITAL: [redacted]

MILITARY: [redacted]

EDUCATION: [redacted]

FORMER ADDRESSES: [redacted]

SSAN: [redacted]

EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND: 164-81-709



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

DB Cooper-3273

RE: SUSPECT [redacted]

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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY: [redacted]

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RELATIVES: [redacted]

[redacted] also furnished two copies of a photograph b6
of the above-named individual which she believes was taken b7C
[redacted] She advised this photo b7D
need not be returned. She could furnish no further information.

LEAD:

SEATTLE

Will attempt to further identify subject through credit and criminal checks and attempt to identify his whereabouts. Will also attempt to obtain more current photo through Dept. Of Motor Vehicles in Olympia, Washington.

MR. 008 DN PLAIN

10:02PM NITEL 12-6-71 PJB

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TO: SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: DENVER (164-98) 3P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA DASH HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE LAST.
MICROFILM RECORDS, STATE OF COLORADO, DEPARTMENT OF PAROLE, REFLECT THAT

[REDACTED] PROBATION IN DISTRICT COURT, [REDACTED] COLORADO, ON

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[REDACTED] CHARGED WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RECORDS CONTAINED A LETTER FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATING THAT [REDACTED]

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At Lead

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[REDACTED] AND REQUESTING STATUS OF HIS
PROBATION. RECORDS INCLUDE SEVERAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN
PAROLE OFFICES, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] COLORADO
INDICATING THAT [REDACTED] PROBATION WAS TRANSFERRED TO [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ARRESTED IN [REDACTED] CITY NOT IDENTIFIED,
CHARGED WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SUBJECT'S PROBATIONARY PERIOD
TERMINATED [REDACTED] FILE CONTAINS
NO FURTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION, EXCEPT ONE PENCILED
NOTATION OF [REDACTED] PAROLE DEPARTMENT REPORT, "WHITE,
DOB [REDACTED]
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SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] CONTACT PAROLE OFFICE IN EFFORT
TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [REDACTED]

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SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] CONTACT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE [REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS
AND ANY ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND ANY INFORMATION
INDICATING HE IS [REDACTED]

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AIRMAIL COPIES TO SACRAMENTO AND SAN FRANCISCO.

END TEL.

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FBI SEATTLE

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DB Cooper-3277

MR 008 DN PLAIN

10:02PM NITEL 12-6-71 PJB

TO: SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM: DENVER (164-98) 3P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES, FLIGHT THREE ZERO
FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR LAST. CAA DASH
HIJACKING; EXTORTION. OO: SEATTLE.

RE SACRAMENTO TELETYPE TO SEATTLE, DECEMBER THREE LAST.
MICROFILM RECORDS, STATE OF COLORADO, DEPARTMENT OF
PAROLE, REFLECT THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] PROBATION IN DISTRICT COURT, [REDACTED] COLORADO, ON [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] CHARGED WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RECORDS CONTAINED A LETTER FROM [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] STATING THAT [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] AND REQUESTING STATUS OF HIS
PROBATION. RECORDS INCLUDE SEVERAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN
PAROLE OFFICES, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] COLORADO
INDICATING THAT [REDACTED] PROBATION WAS TRANSFERRED TO [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ARRESTED IN [REDACTED] CITY NOT IDENTIFIED,
CHARGED WITH [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SUBJECT'S PROBATIONARY PERIOD
TERMINATED [REDACTED] FILE CONTAINS
NO FURTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION, EXCEPT ONE PENCILED
NOTATION OF [REDACTED] PAROLE DEPARTMENT REPORT, "WHITE,
DOB [REDACTED]
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SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] CONTACT PAROLE OFFICE IN EFFORT
TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [REDACTED]

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SEATTLE, AT [REDACTED] CONTACT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE [REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS
AND ANY ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND ANY INFORMATION
INDICATING HE IS [REDACTED]

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AIRMAIL COPIES TO SACRAMENTO AND SAN FRANCISCO.

END TEL.

(P)

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FBI SEATTLE

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NR 008 PD PLAIN
4:38 PM URGENT 12-6-71 LJQ
TO: SEATTLE (164-81)
MINNEAPOLIS
FROM: PORTLAND (164-41) (P) 1P

UNSUB; AKA DAN COOPER; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT NUMBER THREE ZERO FIVE, PORTLAND TO SEATTLE, NOVEMBER TWENTYFOUR, NINETEEN SEVENTYONE; CAA-HIJACKING; EXTORTION; OO: SEATTLE; BUFILE ONE SIX FOUR - TWO ONE ONE ONE.

RE SEATTLE TELETYPE TO PORTLAND DATED DECEMBER THREE, SEVENTYONE.

[redacted] NORTHWEST AIRLINES, PORTLAND, OREGON, ADVISED ON DECEMBER SIX, SEVENTYONE, THAT SUBJECT'S TICKET STUB RETAINED BY NORTHWEST AIRLINES HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO NORTHWEST AIRLINES HEADQUARTERS, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

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COPY OF SUBJECT'S TICKET STUB BEING FORWARDED TO SEATTLE.

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN TICKET STUB AND FORWARD TO IDENTIFICATION DIVISION.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DB Cooper-3281

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SEATTLE (164-81)

DATE: 12/6/71

FROM : SA CHARLES E. FARRELL

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka Dan Cooper;
NW FLIGHT #305,
PORTLAND TO SEATTLE
11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

RE: [redacted] (PH)

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On 12/6/71, SA THOMAS J. MANNING advised he had thoroughly checked all reference sources in the [redacted] area who could find nothing concerning a [redacted] at least under that spelling.

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In an effort to narrow down where this person might be and to ascertain the correct spelling of his name, the following leads are being set out:

SEATTLE DIVISION

At [redacted] Washington

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NW FLIGHT #305,
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11/24/71
CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION

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TO SEATTLE (164-81)
FROM LAS VEGAS (164-60) (P)

UNSUB; NORTHWEST AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE ZERO FIVE,
NOV. TWENTYFOUR, SEVENTYONE; CAA - HIJACKING; EXTORTION.
OO: SEATTLE.

RE SUSPECT - [redacted]

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[redacted] ADVISED

THIS DATE THAT ON DEC. FOUR, LAST, [redacted]

DEPARTED FROM RESIDENCE [redacted]

SIXTYEIGHT LIGHT BLUE VW STATION WAGON, [redacted]

AND SEVENTYONE BROWN DATSUN, TWO DOOR, [redacted]

[redacted] STATED THAT SUSPECT'S [redacted]

MOVING TO [redacted] RESIDENCE ADDRESS

NOT DETERMINED BY [redacted] SUSPECT LEFT [redacted]

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[REDACTED] RESIDENCE AND APPARENTLY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN VEHICLES WERE

NUMEROUS ITEMS OF CLOTHING. USPO, [REDACTED] HAS NO
FORWARDING ADDRESS FOR SUSPECT [REDACTED]

LAS VEGAS WILL ADVISE SEATTLE WHEN FORWARDING
ADDRESS OBTAINED.

MINNEAPOLIS REQUESTED TO ADVISE SEATTLE RESULTS OF
CAPTIONED PLANE'S CREW VIEWING [REDACTED] PHOTOGRAPH.

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